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Move to SC

San Carlos as a site for the county agricultural department would be quite satisfactory County Agricultural Comsr. Max Leonard stated Tuesday.

"It would be perfectly all right," he said.

Leonard said that he had not previously heard of the proposal by the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce for locating the office there, but he was happy over the suggestion.

"I didn't know I had that many friends in San Carlos," he added.

However, the location of the agricultural department is entirely up to the board of supervisors, he declared, and "they know my needs."

Leonard declared that Supervisor Martin Poss had mentioned to him the possibility of locating the office along Old County Rd., which already is zoned to accommodate the agricultural offices.

"Redwood City is an ideal location," he added, "but the most important thing is to remain near the center of population."

The land on which Leonard's office now rests has been sold, and Leonard declared that a new building must be provided within a year.

Elect Officers

New officers of the Junior High School Baptist Youth Fellowship took over their duties Sunday night. They had been installed at a candlelight service last week, with the Rev. Walter B. Smith as installing officer.

Officers are Donald Reetz, president; Joseph Spinella, vice president; Marlene Breer, secretary-treasurer, and Sandra Ratliff, corresponding secretary.

Appointed Sunday night to the music committee were Eugene Wilson, chairman; Loretta Duncan and Donald Bolz. Alvin (Skippy) Crocker and Robert McDonald were named group captains.

Marylin Dahlin and Carol Ratliff are new sponsors of the group, replacing Mr. and Mrs. Chester Liddicoat. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Tallent, who also have been co-sponsors of the group, will continue in that capacity for the remainder of the month.

The group recently had a roller skating party in San Mateo.

Speech Program

Plans for a speech correction program for Ravenswood and Menlo Park schools was presented to the Ravenswood Dist. School Board last Monday by Paul W. Henry, district superintendent.

The plan as outlined by Henry would call for a teacher working full time with children in the two school districts. The program would include correction work for those with speech defects. Proper use of vocal chords also would be taught, Henry said.

Speech classes would begin next Fall, and cost of the program would be financed by allotments from the state for the physically handicapped. Only one quarter of the cost would fall on each school district, Henry pointed out.

Henry estimated that from 50 to 75 Ravenswood children would benefit from the program.

Letters of resignation from two teachers, Miss Edna Kansora and Mrs. Maurine Messer, were read and approved by the board. The two are now on a year's leave of absence. Unforeseen circumstances made it impractical for them to return to teaching, the letters stated.

House Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Barrett of 238 Lincoln Ave. had as house guests over the weekend Mrs. Henrietta Mills, who is the national first junior vice commander of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, and Mrs. Ruth Steinberg, who is state senior vice commander of the DAV. Both of the guests are from Los Angeles.

The guests and Mr. and Mrs. Barrett attended the Fifth Dist. chapters and auxiliaries in Santa Cruz on Sunday.

Mrs. Barrett, the state hospital chairman, recently organized the Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell Auxiliary, Monterey Peninsula, and will install the officers the latter part of this month. She is a member of Peninsula 47.

Hearing Refused

Mrs. Elise Leisner of San Francisco, who had accused her sister-in-law of pushing her into the bathtub, was denied a new trial Monday afternoon by Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton.

Mrs. Leisner had sued for $3000 damages for injuries she claimed she sustained on Nov. 30, 1944. She had charged that her sister-in-law, Mrs. Marguerite Leisner, wife of Joseph Leisner, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco, had pushed her into a bathtub during a family reunion at the Joseph Leisner home in Burlingame.

Judge Cotton had refused to award Elise Leisner damages in a previous decision and yesterday told her that she could take the case to the appellate court, which Mrs. Leisner said she intended to do.

Heads Baptists

Chet E. Wilson Monday night was elected president of the Baptist Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church. V. L. Lindberg was named vice president and Otto Tallent was reelected secretary-treasurer.

Cecil Martin is the outgoing president.

Motion pictures explaining how the telephone system works (when there is no strike) were shown.

Gene L. Stephens led devotionals. William Fain had charge of games.

Phone Strike

The coast - to - coast telephone strike went into its second week Monday with these developments:

1. The White House said telephone strike negotiations are "in the hands of the labor department." However, the elaborate negotiations set up in the capitol to set the pace for the rest of the country still were fruitless, Associated Press reported.

2. Supervisory crews, working until after midnight Sunday morning, repaired a break in the cable to San Francisco airport, service was restored after being cut off suddenly when construction grading equipment sheared through a cable carrying 400 pairs of lines.

3. Service from manually separated exchanges in Redwood City and South San Francisco was slow and some parts of the county were virtually isolated except for emergency calls.

4. Emergency service was being given quickly at all times from the Burlingame exchange, with regular toll-call possible at times. Supervisors and executives manned the switchboards at 50 to 75 per cent of normal.

Top federal officials in Washington told reporters they still are pinning their settlement hopes on labor department efforts. There was no indication of federal seizure immediately.

Company officials had high praise for the crews of supervisors who worked more than 12 hours Saturday on the broken cable near San Francisco airport. They were called in from all over the county when repairmen of the United Brotherhood of Telephone Workers declined to class the work as "emergency."

Joseph A. Beirne, president of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, was reported planning a direct appeal to President Truman, but disclaimed any desire for government seizure of the industry, according to Associated Press.

SC Chamber

The question of the coming city bond issue was quickly disposed of by Pres. William F. Klose at the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce when he explained plans to have a discussion at the May meeting.

Klose who was named at the last council meeting to serve on a committee to explain the bond issue said Monday, following the chamber meeting, that he had accepted, but he had not heard yet about any meeting. The other two persons asked by Mayor Patrick J. Kearns to act independently of the council, were Mrs. A. S. Kalenborn and Fred Drake.

The chamber discussed plans for printed folders for San Carlos for which $300 was voted by the city council which requested that it be allowed to proofread the folder. C. W. Clayton, chairman of the committee, said expert advice was being given already and he was opposed to the plan as he considered there were enough hands in the pie already."

It was proposed that the committee and council members meet, but this was left until official word is received from the council.

The matter of the lighting of Laurel St. was again discussed. Mrs. Neil Davis said lighting had been promised by the council, but no action had been taken. It was pointed out with Friday night store opening, it was more essential than ever.

President Klose referred to the matter of a new post office saying he had seen a postal representative for the Peninsula who said he was working on a lease for a post office.

The map committee said it had no report as it was waiting to meet with Councilmen Truman S. Waterman and John H. Kemp, who had been designated to go over the matter with the group.

Judge Smith Dies

John G. Smith, Belmont police judge and civic leader, died Sunday afternoon at his home, 860 Waltermire Ave., after a long illness. He was a resident of Belmont for 25 years.

Judge Smith also had served as the Belmont building inspector for the past year. Previously he had been commissioner of the Belmont Fire District. He was a charter member of the Belmont Lions Club, a member of the Belmont Civic Assn., and a past vice chairman of the San Mateo County Democratic Committee.

A native of Meridian, Miss., he was 64 years old. He leaves his wife, Annie O. Smith, and three children, Mrs. Maidie Schweickert, Russel G. Smith and A. V. Smith, all of Belmont. Judge Smith was a brother of Mrs. Harold Platt, Redding; Oscar and Charles Smith of Portland, Ore.; and Louis, Thomas and Julian Smith of San Diego. He also leaves six grandchildren.

Drunk Charges

Three persons were arrested by the California Highway Patrol during the weekend on charges of drunken driving in the north end of San Mateo County.

Roger De Luca, 42, a laborer who lives in South San Francisco, was arrested at 3:10 a.m. Sunday on Bayshore Hwy. in South San Francisco.

Clifton C. Moreland, 50, South San Francisco, was arrested along the same stretch of road a few minutes later.

Edward W. Schaefer, 41, San Francisco, was arrested at 2:30 o'clock Monday morning on Bayshore Hwy. in Bayshore City.

All three are to appear before Justice of the Peace John J. Fahey Jr. in South San Francisco Thursday.

Double Ring Rites

Geraldine Darlene San Filippo and Russell C. Villalba, both of San Carlos were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony in St. Charles Church on Easter Sunday. The Rev. Father K. C. Moriarty read the service before many friends and relatives.

The church was decorated in calla lilies and the traditional Easter lilies. The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. San Filippo of 371 Cedar St. was given in marriage by her father. Her gown was of embroidered white taffeta with a bouffant skirt and train. A taffeta shoulder band held the marquisette yoke atop the close fitting bodice. A tiara of seed pearls and white rose petals held the fingertip veil. Her bouquet was centered by a white orchid surrounded by white bouvardia and lily of the valley.

Barbara DeMattei served as maid of honor and Judith and Rosemary San Filippo, cousins of the bride, were the bridesmaids. All the bride's attendants were from San Francisco. Their gowns were a daffodil shade of marquisette fashioned like the bridal gown only with a decollete neckline. The maid of honor wore a coronet of Dutch iris with a matching bouquet. The bridesmaids wore headbands of blue-tinted carnations and matching bouquets.

Darlene Candiotto of San Francisco was the flower girl. Her gown was white taffeta with a ruffled skirt. She wore a coronet of violets and forget-me-nots and carried an old-fashioned bouquet of the same flowers. Ring bearer was Dennis Witkowsky of San Francisco who carried the ring on the same satin pillow that was used in the bride's mother's wedding.

Eno Barbita of this city was the best man. Ushers were Charles Spadafore of San Jose, Kenneth Whitford of Redwood City, and the groom's brothers, Richard and Chester of San Carlos, and George and Gene Tello of San Francisco, cousins of the bride.

Organist was Miss Frances Flynn of Redwood City and during the ceremony, Miss Doris Lagomarsino of San Carlos sang "Panis Angelicus," by Cesar Franck.

A reception for 200 guests was held in Laurel Hall following the ceremony. In the receiving line, Mrs. San Filippo wore a powder blue dress with a hat and accessories of brown. She wore a corsage of orchids. Mrs. Rose Villalba, the bridegroom's mother, wore a navy blue crepe dress with pink hat and accessories. Her corsage was of pink camelias.

The long table was centered with a three-tiered wedding cake and flower arrangements of gardenias, carnations and stock at either end of the table were flanked by candles.

Gerrie wore a pink wool gabardine suit with white accessories and the orchid from her bridal bouquet as her going-away ensemble. The young couple have returned to San Carlos, but they expect to make their home in this city. Russell is associated with Oleson Motor Co. here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Villalba, relatives of the groom, came from Santa Barbara for the wedding.

Taxes Hit Peak

San Mateo County's local tax levy of $6,373,654 for this year for the county, school districts, and special districts in the county is at a peak, California Taxpayers' Assn. said Tuesday. Data for city governments are not yet available.

Last installment on this year's levy becomes delinquent if not paid by Apr. 21.

This year's local tax levy is 29 per cent greater than the $4,959,139 levy for last year and it is 59 per cent greater than the $3,997,899 levy for 1941-42, the last prewar levy, the association said.

In 56 of California's 58 counties the combined levies for county, school district, and special district purposes for 1946-47 are at their highest points since the bottom of the depression, the taxpayers' association found. Levies in Del Norte and Sierra counties are slightly under previous highs.

James Crawford Dies

James E. Crawford, 54, assistant superintendent of Community Hospital, died suddenly at his home at 409 Sixth Ave., Menlo Park, early Sunday. He was a native of Connecticut.

Mr. Crawford, who had resided in the Bay Area for the past 20 years, took the Community Hospital post on Dec. 2, 1943. Previously he had been employed with the Hanrahan Construction Co.

He leaves his wife, Josephine Crawford.

Dr. Charles C. Gans, director of the county department of health and welfare, said Monday he has requested the County Civil Service Commission to give him an eligibility list so that Community Hospital vacancy can be filled.

Two names are on the eligibility list: Charles K. Krolek, 35, 1804 Miller Ave., Belmont, and Harold C. Hale, 40, of 814 Kains Ave., San Bruno.

$59,503 Estate

The estate of Luigi Delucci, Redwood City man who died last Oct. 29, totals $59,523, according to an inventory filed in superior court Monday by Inheritance Tax Appraiser James A. Lee.

The estate consists of $28,598 in three savings accounts, real estate valued at $27,750, stocks and bonds. The real estate is comprised of property on Orchard Ave., and two pieces of land in Woodside.

San Carlos Fire

Two 55-gallon cans of perfumed pomade, intended mainly for the Philippines Island trade, boiled over at the Western Associates, Inc., plant in San Carlos Monday starting a blaze which took San Carlos and San Mateo County firemen 45 minutes to put out.

George Martin, manager of the plant at 841 Old County Rd., said the firm was a packaging organization, handling everything from cement blocks to beauty supplies.

He and other plant employes were heating the pomade over an open gas flame in the rear of the plant. As the pomade became heated, it boiled over its container walls, quickly igniting the rest of the plant.

Martin lost the shirt off his back and a $200 wristwatch his wife had given him. He was unable because of a Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. strike to send an alarm to the San Carlos department.

Firemen said they received the first alarm from an unknown person who telephoned from the west side of El Camino Real on seeing the smoke.

Martin said there were three distinct explosions inside the plant, but was unable to tell what blew up except for a can of chlorine.

Knowing that chemicals were stored inside the plant, he said, nobody was inside at the time and consequently no person was in jeopardy of inhaling the poison gas fumes.

Chief Lyle G. Clark called in a county fire rig to protect surrounding buildings in the San Carlos industrial area.

Two San Carlos rigs laid 300 feet of inch and a half hose and 600 feet of two and a half inch hose. The chief said the water supply was adequate to fight the blaze.

Martin said he was unable to give an estimate of the loss, but that the pomade could be bought for about eight cents a pound.

Redwood City firemen, meanwhile, reported two blazes Saturday and Sunday and a broken hydrant.

Sunday at 8:37 p.m. they were called to a rubbish fire at Main and Maple Sts. Saturday night they extinguished a compressor motor fire at the Standard Oil Co. station at Broadway and Southern Pacific Co. tracks. Sunday at 1:27 p.m. they were called to fix a broken hydrant at Hudson St. and Woodside Rd.

The first brush fire of 1947 in San Mateo County was extinguished by nightfall Sunday after it had swept 50 acres of land near the Locatelli Lumber Mill east of Butano Forest.

The county fire warden's office reported that a truck each from the Pescadero and the Skyline stations answered the alarm at 3:50 Sunday afternoon. The fire was just inside the San Mateo County line. Origin of the fire was unknown.

Rites Read

Easter Sunday in Mt. Carmel Church, Mary Phyllis Seufert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Seufert Jr., became the bride of Arthur Peterson, son of Mrs. Edward Peterson of San Francisco. Father Cavanagh officiated.

The bride's gown was white chiffon, fashioned in princess lines with leg-o-mutton sleeves, insets of alencon lace and a long train. Her full-length lace veil was held by a coronet. She carried a fan shaped bouquet of white camellias and lily of the valley.

Mrs. Frances Pearson, the matron of honor, wore a gown of turquoise faille in an off-the-shoulder style with a full skirt and long sleeves. She also wore a matching net hat and carried a fan of flowers in shades of pink sweetpeas.

Mary Ann Mintline, the bride's cousin, was the junior bridesmaid. Her gown was yellow faille, off-the-shoulder style, with puffed sleeves. She also wore a matching net hat and carried a bouquet similar to the one carried by the matron of honor.

Ushers were Louis Bedoni, S. C. Passanisi, Ted Seufert III and James Seufert.

The bride's mother wore a navy blue crepe suit and a hat with pink and navy accessories. She wore a corsage of pale pink orchids.

Mrs. Peterson wore a black ensemble with a corsage of deep rose camellias.

Morton Schmidt sang "Ave Maria" and "On This Day, Oh Beautiful Mother" before the ceremony.

A reception immediately followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents. The home was decorated with pink and white blossoms. A wedding cake was cut by the justweds. Mrs. Ted Seufert III poured.

Mary Phyllis wore a navy blue suit with a pink straw hat and pink gloves for her going-away outfit. Pink carnations were fastened to her purse.

The couple spent a week at Carmel before returning to San Francisco where they will make their home. Arthur is employed at the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

To Head Chapter

Plans for organization of a chapter of the White Shrine of Jerusalem at Redwood City for the area from San Carlos to Mt. View were disclosed Tuesday by Mrs. J. A. Walden. Mrs. Walden, who lives at 232 Fulton St., is to be worthy high priestess of the new chapter.

Other officers will include Mrs. E. C. Baird, 421 Grand St., and Mrs. Guy Alterton, 211 El Camino Real, Menlo Park .

Mrs. Walden said the charter for the chapter, to be called the Queen Esther Shrine, will remain open until Apr. 29 when an initiatory ceremony is to be held at Masonic Hall in Redwood City.

Garden

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

Well it's time for all who are planning to attend the formal opening night of the California Spring Garden Show to get out either tuxedo or tails and send them to the cleaners. . . . And for the ladies to select their most beautiful decollete gowns . . . have them ready for the big night.

How time flies, the first day open to the public is now less than two weeks away, and tremendous interest is being generated in the production. . . . People are wondering, speculating . . . can Howard Gilkey do it? . . . can he interpret the abstract idea of "Fantasia" horticulturally. (If anyone's waving the long green against, I know some who'll give odds he can.)

Let's hope Mrs. C. L. Bowlware of Los Gatos lets us know how her planting of tomato hybrids comes out. They're a cross between North and South American varieties. . . . Might make wonderful hot sauce.

T. J. Bright of Menlo Park was always bothered by gophers. Then a Japanese gardener set the gopher traps one day and T.J.B. watched. Since then, gophers have been controlled with dispatch. As you'd expect, T. J. Bright caught on quickly.

Several inquiries about the Marcross corn. . . . Sorry, we don't save seed from year to year . . . awgone! Same with the Larkspur Brilliant Rose.

Mrs. Bryace asks what vegetables grow in the shade, and the answer would be none in some localities, but since she lives in Sacramento, she won't need direct sun to grow lettuce, chard, celery, endive and such greens. However, none of the vegetables will grow in deep shade. . . . (That's not counting mushrooms in the vegetable class.)

Doesn't the strength, the will of most plants to live, their reactions to environment continue to amaze you? They want sun, and when there's a dearth of light, they take the quickest way to grow tall, toward light . . . get "leggy" . . . don't bother with much side growth.

After the root system has developed to support a plant of certain proportions, what happens when you top the plant? . . . The energy being made available by the now-oversized root system finds an outlet when the forced plant sends out side shoots. . . .

Put a plant in a container with rich soil mixture and the roots stay pretty small, and the plant gets enough nutrients without trouble. . . . Then you put a similar plant in a poor potting mixture, and the roots search so desperately for nutrients that they grope round and round the inside of the container, finally "choking" themselves to death. . . .

A plant gets plenty of food, maybe is overfed and overwatered, and it grows along, having the time of its life. Under such conditions some plants are backward about producing flowers and seeds. . . . In the playboy class, it doesn't mature.

Then when some of the roots are lopped off, or a fair-sized part of the upper growth is cut . . . and the shock forces quick flowering and early maturity. Almost as though the plant realized that life is but a fleeting thing, and it had better accomplish its mission in life (continuation of the species) before it's too late. . . . Like a play boy reading an insurance advertisement . . . you know the kind in the magazines . . . the pen and ink darkling drawings with expensive silverware on the casket corners?

And the way a plant droops in the afternoon sun makes you think of a fagged animal with its tongue lolling. And when you give it water, the leaves perk up, get crisp and chipper?

The flowers miraculously standing over the hot baked clay, needing cultivation and care, needing plant food. . . . A group of puny flowers, too bright, as though all the pigments had been crowded into petals just half the normal size.

Don't they remind you of the pictures of starved Oriental and European children, with weazened legs, knobby joints and pot bellies?

Sometimes, plant actions seem just as purposeful as those of thinking animals. Here's a vote that they are.

Canada Rd. Suit

A suit to gain land for the straightening of Canada Rd. was filed in superior court Monday in behalf of San Mateo County by Dist. Atty. Gilbert D. Ferrell.

The defendants in the eminent domain suit are the City and County of San Francisco, Pacific Gas & Electric Co., Matson Securities Co., Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pheleger and William A. B. Hayne.

The suit states that the board of supervisors on Apr. 1 passed a resolution authorizing the obtaining of a right of way to build the road. The realignment affects a total of 70 acres of land, of which 22½ acres is the present right of way.

Lodge Honored

Olive Branch Rebekah Lodge was honored last Tuesday evening with the official visit of Meta Lane, district deputy president at the meeting in the Odd Fellows Hal.

The hall was decorated in the Easter motif with bridal wreath, calla lilies and the traditional Easter lilies.

The Sequoia String Trio played three musical selections. The members of the trio, Margy Coykendall, Dorothy Bourquin and Grace Childs, are students at Sequoia High School.

The committee in charge of arrangements was Ginny Worth, chairman, assisted by Louise Reynolds, Hallie Stone, Genevieve Erskine, Jennie Peterson and Nelle Claire.

Parents' Corner

SEX PROBLEMS IN THE VERY YOUNG

Human reproduction is an intricate process involving a host of bodily, mental and emotional reactions. In order to insure the continued life of our kind, nature has seen to it that the urge to reproduce is one of the two strongest urges we inherit. The deepest urge is the drive for self-preservation. Next comes the normal human desire to perpetuate oneself through the act of reproduction.

The reproductive desire involves our whole being, not just our bodies. Because it is so fundamental we can expect to see some of its patterns appear when our sons or daughters are still very young. When we add to the native, or inherited patterns the tremendously complicated set of taboos and the beliefs which our civilization has developed there is no wonder that we parents become bewildered and concerned over our children.

Our children have so very much to learn. They have to learn the accepted standards and beliefs of our particular culture and they have to learn to restrain or inhibit many of their own native reactions.

As we encounter sex problems in our offspring particularly the little tikes, five or six or seven years old, we must constantly remind ourselves that their reactions are not depraved or unnatural. Their behavior is primitive and uncivilized. They still have the uncivilized reactions which we, as civlzed adults, ourselves had to overcome.

Usually it is a surprise to parents to see how soon sex problems emerge in the lives of their children. Children do have reactions to sex while they are still babes in arms. Ignorant and irresponsible nursemaids find they can quiet a restless baby by stroking certain portions of the baby's body. As they grow a little older, children become curious concerning their own bodies and they manipulate and explore.

They become curious concerning the differences between the bodies of boys and girls. They become interested in all functions of our organs, including that of elimination of body wastes. In these early years they develop general attitudes which may last a lifetime. Wise guidance is needed right from the start.

Children may just naturally do things that disgust us. In all instances we have to avoid appearing shocked, even though we are profoundly disturbed. If we show intense feeling we may find that we have succeeded merely in fixing or habituating the very behavior which we seek to change.

So, a matter of fact, unemotional way of dealing with sex problems is needed. It is an approach which will coolly answer the young ones' questions and reasonably point out best ways of doing things, but which will not upset the children too much.

Sunday Tea

The Friends of the Library held at tea Sunday afternoon at the Castilleja School to introduce the authors whose works have spread the fame of the Peninsula.

Mrs. Neenah Hastings Lessemann, state chairman of the National Woman's Party, and her granddaughter, Miss Jeanina Slade, attended the tea from this city. Jeanina is a senior at Sequoia High School. She will graduate this June and plans to attend Stanford. She will major in English and music will be her minor subject.

Gertrude Atherton, known for her writings of this area, hoped to overrule her doctor's orders against the trip from San Francisco and the excitement of such a trip, but after a recent attack of bronchitis, she was unable to make the trip.

Anne B. Fisher (Mrs. Walter Fisher) came from Pacific Grove to meet her friends at the affair.

Albert Rhys Williams did not mind that the Friends had found his hide-away, and he left his work to attend. The "Yanqui from Patagonia," Eailey Wills, was there also.

From the Los Altos hills, the Frank Taylors, Janet Lewis and Arthur Evor Winters, joined Edith Mirrielees, George Lemaitre, Graham Stuart, and Albert Guerard of Stanford. Wallace Stegner, author of "The Big Rock Candy Mountain" and head of the Stanford writing center, also was there.

Sara Bard Field (wife of the late Charles Erskine Scott Wood), and Ruth Comfort Mitchell attended from Los Gatos and Mrs. Fremont Older from Saratoga.

Other out-of-town guests included Miss Mabel Gillis, state librarian; Dr. Evelyn Steel Little, president of the California Library Assn.; and Miss Margaret Girdner, who was at one time the librarian at the Palo Alto High School and now one of San Francisco's outstanding librarians.

Miss Margarita Espinosa, principal of the Castilleja School, was among the hostesses and the members of the senior class helped serve the guests.

Engineer Course

L. A. Marks of Redwood City announced Tuesday that a new class sponsored by the Engineers and Architects Assn. through San Mateo Junior College will start soon for civil engineers interested in taking the state civil engineer's license examination.

The classes, to be held once a week, will last for 30 weeks. Eighteen persons are enrolled in the present class at the school.

Anyone interested in taking the course should contact James Tormey at the San Mateo Junior College Adult School, Marks said.

Commuter News

BY JOE CABOOSE
(Always Last on the Train)

Number One irritant on the local scene last week was the alleged "Holdup at the Box Office" at the lesser of Redwood City's two motion picture theaters. Of a dozen commuters interviewed for news, at least eight suggested we protest the action of a local theater in (1) charging the exorbitant price of $1.50 for one picture, and (2) doing so without advertising the price.

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Four of the eight persons with whom we discussed this subject were still hopping mad. Said one: "I thought we had a Better Business Bureau in Redwood City to protect us against such practices." Said another: "Academy award, my eye! The picture should be renamed 'The Holdup at the Box Office'."

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A third commuter (who doesn't make his money by clipping coupons) took his wife and two children to the theater with only $3 on his person. He was naive enough to think his family could see the show and get ice cream on the way home besides. Was his face red, when after standing in line 15 minutes, he found he could not even get into the show.

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Comment of the fourth commuter mentioned above simply isn't printable.

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It's bad enough to charge $1.50 for any picture in any theater. But to charge $1.50 for this picture (whose super qualities are questioned despite its "Oscar" ballyhoo), in a second-rate theater, is unjustified on any score. The fact the price was not advertised should make the action a case either for the Better Business Bureau or the district attorney's office.

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In its broader aspects, is not this theater incident just another symptom of the alarming post-war inflationary trend about which the President warned last week in his plea for lower prices. The tendency seems to be to set prices on the basis of "all the traffic will bear."

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We recall a few months back when the big guns, especially those of the National Assn. of Manufacturers, were let loose on what was left of OPA. The cry was, "Remove the restrictions of OPA and free competition will bring reduced prices through greater production."

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We regret to admit that our voice was among those who screamed with the NAM and opposition politicians for elimination of the OPA. We are now sorely disillusioned. We believe that business and the "free enterprise" system, which we are trying so hard to justify before the world, have lost the first round in its date with destiny.

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The President said there was no sound economic reason for the continued frightening increase in living costs, and intimated that such increases could only stem from greed and lust for excessive profits. We should all resist, with all the means at our disposal, the unscrupulous operator who tries to gouge us.

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We lost a one-sided argument on the telephone the other night when we tried to call home to say we had to work and would be late for dinner. The operator kept repeating herself about "only emergency calls could be handled, etc, etc.," and we started to argue and told her if she knew our wife she would know the call was urgent; and finally we told her she had a "one-track mind, and was in a rut." And then it suddenly dawned that we were arguing with a phonograph record.

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So we cashed in our chips, drank up and came home.

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Ed Jurgensen, Redwood City's grand piano man, offers this advice to married men: "Help your wife with the housework. When she mops up the floor, mop up the floor with her."

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Approximately 75 Commuters and Kiwanians (mostly the former) turned out for the annual joint dinner meeting at Ramor Oaks last Thursday night. Walter (Bud) Kellogg presided. Albert W. Gatov San Francisco shipping executive delivered an interesting 30-minute talk on what the merchant marine and world trade mean "to the cash registers of Redwood City." Commuter Pres. W. J. McKeegan gave the second reading of the nominating committee's report and announced the club elections would be held at the May meeting.

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Chairman Kellogg closed the session with a reminder of the big service club joint dinner meeting at Villa Chartier Wednesday night Apr. 16. Delegations from Kiwanis Exchange, Lions, Rotary and Commuters are expected to attend.

Cancer Drive

Organization of the American Cancer Society's fund drive in high schools as well as in some of the elementary schools of San Mateo County was reported Monday by V. M. Robertson, executive secretary of the Peninsula YMCA.

This is the second year YMCA high school clubs have participated in the annual drive as a special project. Organization in elementary schools was attempted for the first time this year. Partial coverage was achieved in most areas with the exception of Redwood City where all schools are being contacted. Complete coverage throughout the county by next year is anticipated, according to Mr. Robertson.

School solicitation of funds is under the supervision of YMCA staff members.

EXPERIENCED real estate salesman. Replies confidential. Box 329, R.C. Tribune.

EXPER., reliable, courteous service station and lube man, night shift. Apply Andy Brown's Shell Station, 8th and Middlefield, Menlo Park.

MAN for general cleaning work in bakery. Call after 3 p.m. HOME BAKE SHOP 739 El Camino Real, R.C.

WILL pay good salary to exp. fountain lunch man. No night or Sunday work. See Jack Fisher, 1390 Burlingame Ave., Burl.

EXPERIENCED real estate saleswoman. Replies confidential. Box 330, R.C. Tribune.

General office work, with a little bookeeping, salary open. REYNOLDS BROS. TRANSFER 700 Cassia St. Phone RC 2352

EXP. drapery and slip cover woman to manage shop in interior furnishings store in Menlo Park. Excellent wages and working conditions. Ph. Palo Alto 9519.

WANTED — Refined woman to share home with young working couple in exc. for very light services. No washing, ironing, or heavy housecleaning. Call at Sequoia Pharmacy.

NEED money? Pleasant work at hours to suit your convenience. No experience necessary to start. Box 333, Tribune.

WOMAN for general housework, Monday through Friday. Phone RC 310 or apply in person. 842 Edgewood Road.

AVON Products needs sales representatives. Pleasant, profitable work. Write Mrs. B. Perine, 1728 Leslie St., San Mateo.

COSMETIC LADY
PREUSS PHARMACY
MENLO PARK

YOUNG married vet, with family desires perm. position with future in radio and elec. appliance field. Particularly interested in servicing position with opportunity to work into sales. Am presently working at, and have 8 yrs. previous experience in, radio electric servicing. Wish to settle permanently in Peninsula area. Write Box 325, RC Trib.

ROTOTILLING, PLOWING
New lawns seeded, reas. price guaranteed. G. J. Retz, Phone Hayward, Lucerne 1-4826.

WASHING and ironing to do in my home. Work called for and delivered. Reasonable. Box 332, Tribune.

VETERAN, wife and 2 children desire unfurnished apartment or house. Phone SM 8-1537.

Family of 6 fr. Wash., D.C. wish to rent home summer mos. vic. Wdse., Atherton, Menlo Park. Exc. refs. Box 328, RC Tribune.

Will exch. 4 rm. apt., 2 bedrms., $55 inc. utilities, gar.; child welcome, for 2 bedrm. apt. or hse. 453 Fairmont, Apt. 4, Oakland.

SLEEPING room for two people, two blocks from SP depot. 1328 Holly St., San Carlos.

COTTAGE, 3-rm. furn., glassed in front and rear porches. Lge. garden space, trees. Will rent to elderly couple who would take an interest in improving appearance. Box 327 Tribune.

FURNISHED Cabin for rent. Ideal for single gentleman. 2170 Oak Knoll., Phone 491-J.

Duncan Phyfe drum table; occ. chrs., bedrm. furn., inner-spg. and matt., used very little. 1360 Sevier, EPA. Sat.-Sun. 1:30-5.

2 pc. chesterfield set, in very good cond. Reasonable price. Phone RC 3606-J. 283 Myrtle St., Redwood City.

DINING RM. set, 8 pieces, $155; china closet, $50. 104 Acacia St., San Carlos.

Double maple bed, inner-spring matt. and coil spring, in good cond., $45. Call Sundays or eves. 714 Linden Ave., rear residence, Burlingame.

CRIB, daybed, couch, club chair and miscellaneous items. Phone SC 1917.

2 pc. chesterfield set, 6 mos. old, perfect condition, $145; 3 pc. Monterey liv. rm. set, prewar, good condition. Make offer. 561 Hoover St., Redwood City.

DOUBLE bed, walnut, inner-spring mattress and springs, complete, $50. 535 Scott Ave., Redwood Village.

OVERSTUFFED chair, blue mohair frieze, excellent condition. Must be sold. Make offer. 1001 Haven, Friendly Acres. RC 1944.

UPRIGHT piano, good tone, $100. 821 Canyon Rd., R.C.

R.C.A. Victor Console push button radio, very good condition, $75. Ph. SC 709-M; 1095 Cherry St., San Carlos.

FRESH ranch eggs delivered to your door weekly. Address orders to Mrs. G. E. Whitman, 534 Hillside Rd., R. C.

SPIN DRY washing machine, $75; walnut occ. table, $15; Heat Master car heater, $15. 2122 Hillcrest Dr., out Hopkins.

'46 American house trailer, 27 ft. 2 rms., mat. birch interior, butane equipped, elec. brakes, extras, $2200. Ideal Auto Ct., 2401 El Camino. K. West, trail. 0-15.

Boy's bike, $25; prewar elc. razor, Schick, $7.50; girl's bike, $15; coaster wagon, $10; saxophone, E-flat alto. Phone EM 6-6549.

BEAUTIFUL matched diamond engagement and wedding rings, very reasonable. Ph. RC 2309-W after 5:30 p.m.

ARC welder, G. E. Chev. 4 motor, mounted on 4 wheel trailer, 16" wheels, tires, complete. 213 Fourth Ave., Redwood City.

UNDERWOOD Standard typewriter, elite type, reconditioned in December. No dealers. Ph. RC 4529. 2382 Broadway, Rm. 6.

'40 4 dr. de luxe Dodge sedan. Radio. Runs, looks good. $1095. Pair binoculars, prewar prisms, 8x24, $45. 523 Eighth Ave., Menlo Park.

SHEPHERD Collies, Fox Terriers, Springers, Bostons, Bayshore Kennels near Moffett Field. Board for dogs.

UPRIGHT piano, Kronich & Bach; pheasant cocks; 6 bales of volunteer hay. Ph. R.C. 2438.

NEW—8 window frames and windows; casement swingout; rustic trim; double windows, 2'3"x4'0". Ph. RC 4946-W.

STOVES — Western Holly and Grand, now available.
MISSION CARPET HOUSE
665 El Camino Ph. RC 172

BBQ tbl., 2 benches 31½x16½, and others; Chinese teakwood tbl.; blk. Hudson seal coat, sz. 14, $80; fur cape, Baron-Dukee, sz. 14, $30; wh. marble stepping stones, 35c ea. 935 Walnut, SC.

1 LADY'S, 1 man's bicycle, for sale. 1402 Jefferson Ave., Redwood City.

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Garden

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

Not long ago I remarked that the First National Bank in San Rafael sponsored a Camellia Show on its premises. It wasn't the first, but the fourth time. Now Jerrold Owen, director of public relations at the Central Bank of Oakland writes that his institution is sponsoring a Thursday-Friday Spring Rose Show, Apr. 24, 25, both days from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., with more than 3000 roses in 200 varieties.

To encourage entries, the bank is offering three prizes each day for the best red roses exhibited by amateurs. First prize will be a $25 Savings Bond, second prize a $10 Savings Account, and third prize a membership in the American Rose Society, to be announced each day at noon.

Judges will be Dr. Charles V. Covell, president of the American Rose Society, Otto Butzke and Clyde Stocking. . . . There will be no admission charge.

It's a wonder more banks don't sponsor flower shows. After all, banks lend money on home properties, and anything they can do to promote better gardens means more value securing their collateral.

G. C. Denham writes: "I have three cherry trees in my garden and one of them put on nineteen blossoms Dec. 15. At the time I wondered if it would stop the tree this Spring. Now I can answer the question. It is no, as the tree came in blossom again and is now starting to set fruit.

"Now the question I want to ask you is, what is something GOOD to keep the birds away from the tree and when should it be put in or on the tree?"

There are repellants on the market, of course, but from the number of letters telling how writers have tried them, to no avail, it would seem they aren't always successful. One greenthumber reports that he put a stuffed owl in a cherry tree and the birds kept away. Know a lending taxidermist?

Mrs. Elma Morgan wants to top a kadota fig tree to make it spread and asks the best time to do the pruning. I'd suggest during the dormant season. She also has a climbing rose nearly 100 years old.

"We cut it back two years ago when we bought the place. It is growing now, but doesn't bloom. Would it be possible to graft another rose to this root?"

If the climber is healthy and growing vigorously, grafts would probably "take" all right. But I'd try giving planty of commercial fertilizer and manure, in an effort to get a few flowers of a type 100 years old . . . museum pieces.

Ben Harris says his place is being taken by Scotch Broom, which thrives so on hillsides. Try spraying with a strong solution of 2-4-D. If the first application shows no results in four weeks, spray again. Thinking back, I wonder why real estate firms don't promote a lot of flower shows too. But I don't wonder why vegetable markets don't sponsor backyard gardens.

Mrs. George Williams of "Surprise Acres" in Sacramento (isn't that a swell name for a greenthumber's home?), writes that the Gladiolus Show in Sacramento's Clunie Auditorium is set for June 21-22. Glads from all northern and central parts of the state are expected . . . glad news.

The Terrace Nursery of Palo Alto bought a 3 col. 12-in. display ad recently in the local paper. It told some things about pansies, and then, in good taste, at the bottom stated simply that they grow the Swiss Giants.

The ad stated that pansies were mentioned in 1629 . . . that they are highly developed viola, that the viola tricolor is generally considered the start . . . "viola tricolor, a small perennial violet native to the cooler parts of Europe."

Another kind of advertisement greenthumbers like to read (in case you nurserymen are interested), is one which gives simple cultural instructions on the specific plants being sold.

Joins Group

City managers from nine bay counties, including E. W. Blom of Redwood City, have organized a Bay Area Committee of City Managers to be affiliated with the Bay Area Council in projects of community development and civic welfare, it was announced Saturday by Frank E. Marsh, council general manager.

Wayne Thompson, city manager of Richmond, newly elected chairman of the new Bay Area group, has called the first formal luncheon meeting of the committee for Friday, Apr. 18, at Richmond.

The new city managers' unit of the council will pool Bay Area community plans and problems in a program contributing to the over-all development of the nine-county area.

The Bay Area city managers' group now becomes directly associated with the council's area-wide development program for new industrial growth and for active support of special Bay Area projects.

Members of the new council committee include City Mgrs. Robert E. Baumberger, Mill Valley; O. W. Campbell, San Jose; J. F. Hassler, Oakland; Leonard J. McClintock, Martinez; Don C. McMillan, Alameda; Ross Miller, Santa Rosa; E. L. O'Hara, Pittsburg; Lawrence E. Olsen, San Leandro; John Phillips, Berkeley; Arthur B. Sullivan, San Mateo; Wayne E. Thompson, Richmond; Samuel E. Vickers, Vallejo; Earl P. Wilsey, Hillsborough and Chief Administrative Officer Thomas A. Brooks, San Francisco.

Week's Vacation

Lt. (jg.) C. M. Allen and his wife and daughter, Marilyn, and his mother-in-law, of San Diego, are spending a week's vacation at the home of Lieutenant Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Allen, and his brother, Jean, at 1341 Jefferson Ave.

Land Transfers

Three real estate transfers totaling more than $300,000 were on file Friday in the office of County Recorder T. Clark Rice.

The largest was the transfer of a $200,000 half interest in the Meadow Glen Homes subdivision by Mr. and Mrs. Theodor Loy to Max Schmidt of Hillsborough.

The Loys, who live in Burlingame, had been in partnership with Schmidt in the huge development which calls for the construction of 300 homes, Eli Freed, attorney representing Schmidt, said today.

The subdivision is on 138 acres of land in Millbrae, stretching from El Camino Real to Skyline Blvd., Freed said. He added that 48 homes are nearly completed, and permits were issued two days ago for the construction of 50 others.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Brodhead have sold their home at 1815 Elmwood Ct., Hillsborough, to Edward C. Sykes, Colusa rancher, the agent, Coldwell and Banker of San Mateo, reported.

The price was $55,000 for the eight-room farmhouse type dwelling and the half acre of land.

The third sale is of the Edwin M. Ricker home at 830 Black Mountain Rd., Hillsborough, to May C. McMartin and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Crampton. The selling price, according to the stamps in the recorder's office, was $50,000.

Meanwhile, according to statisties released Friday by County Executive Frederick Peterson, the value of building permits issued in the county during 1946 was about five times the amount in 1939.

Peterson listed a total of $52,082,436 worth of construction for which permits were issued last year. During 1939, the total value was $11,364,989.

Peterson's figures did not include any from Belmont, or from Menlo Park and Daly City in 1939.

	1939	1946
Daly City	*	$1,058,940
So. San Francisco	$ 431,562	4,193,129
San Bruno	926,000	1,911,000
Burlingame	1,064,285	2,100,510
Hillsborough	326,021	1,065,865
San Mateo	2,905,978	9,805,248
San Carlos	1,233,252	5,140,750
Redwood City	1,159,603	3,975,969
Atherton	51,110	1,059,525
Menlo Park	*	1,600,000
County of San Mateo (Unincorporated)	2,889,573	20,171,500
	$11,364,989	$52,082,436

*Figures not available.

Youth Saved

Hot weather which sent San Mateo County residents to ocean beaches Sunday accounted for the first near bathing tragedy of the season.

The sheriff's office reported that an unidentified boy was rescued shortly after he was swept off his feet by an undertow at Tunitas Beach about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. A coast guard boat and a plane were dispatched to the rescue but the boy had been saved before they arrived.

The thermometer climbed to 88 degrees Sunday for the hottest day of the year for Redwood City, and the hottest Apr. 13 since 1931, when records were first started here, the weather bureau at fire station 2 reported Monday.

The thermometer went up to 86 on Saturday. It had climbed to 84 at 1:30 p.m., Monday.

The Coastside beaches were thronged with sun-bathing humanity yesterday. The Coast Hwy., from the Skyline intersection to Half Moon Bay, carried bumper - to - bumper automobile traffic.

Parking spaces at the more popular beaches from Thornton on the north to Kelly Ave. at Half Moon Bay were overcrowded with vehicles. Each sandy inlet on the coastline drew a cluster of parked cars.

Traffic was jammed from Half Moon Bay to the Skyline Blvd. as thousands of home-bound cars crawled up the grade at 10 to 15 miles per hour.

Auto 'Missing'

A 1941 four-door Packard sedan belonging to the Weltner Motor Co. is on the loose again.

Police Chief C. L. (Mickey) Collins reported the automobile missing from a used car lot in an all points bulletin Saturday.

This is the second time the grey car has been taken illegally from the Weltner firm.

In July, 1945, the same car was taken from the firm on an $800.65 check which later proved to be fictitious.

W. L. Hallie, 43, who told a firm representative he lived at 822 Grand Ave., South San Francisco, took the vehicle that time. He put down the fake check as a down payment and took off.

After the check bounced police entered the case, tracing Hallie to Tulsa, Okla., and losing him there. When Hallie was picked up in Stockton in December, 1946, on a charge of counterfeiting he still had the car which was then returned to Redwood City.

One thing is sure, Collins said, Hallie doesn't have the Packard this time. Hallie is now a resident of the McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary.

Hill Hits Dumping

A Woodside resident was recently apprehended by the Hill Police Patrol for dumping cattle hides and entrails along the waterline in Huddard Park.

Frank D. Hill announced that in an effort to eliminate the dumping of garbage in the Woodside-Portola area, he will prosecute violators of county dumping ordinances to the full extent of the law.

Fourth of July

The Fourth of July Committee meeting this week at the San Carlos City Hall, with Harvey Carlyon presiding, discussed with the representatives of approximately 20 clubs present plans for its participation in the two-day event.

The fact that the parade is to be especially feathered this year was stressed and individuals, firms, or clubs are urged to enter decorated floats. A Queen's Contest will be sponsored by the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce, plans for which will be drawn up at Monday night's meeting of the chamber.

Mrs. Lois Brown was named publicity chairman.

Present at the meeting were Thomas L. Milam, Community Club; H. Harman, 75 Club; Mrs. Merle Tobey, American Legion Auxiliary; John Pindroh, Holy Name Society; Carlosians, Mrs. Robert Allen; Sam Kirkes, Lions Club; Victor Tolley, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Mrs. Charles B. Updegraff, PTA; Mrs. A. Bannermann, Community Church Guild; Mrs. C. M. Garrett, Scout Mothers' Club; Mrs. Clyde Higbee, Junior Matrons; Benjamin Pfeiffer and John Metcalf, Kiwanis Club; Ed Burton, Masonic Club; Herman Johnson Jr., and Harold Cross, American Legion, and Mrs. Ruth Allard, B.P.A. William Schartman is the Chamber of Commerce representative and while no member was present for Athletic Club, has signified it will again handle the sport events.

Others present were Warren Hayden, recreation director and Mrs. Vera Cooper former board member, who will assist with general details.

Shaken in Accident

Three persons were shaken up sufficiently in an automobile accident Thursday in Redwood City to require investigation at Community Hospital.

Uninjured, but reported by the hospital were Ann DeStafano, 50; Richard DeStefano, 17; and Edith DeStafano, 2, all of 291 Arundel Rd., San Carlos.

They were involved in a three-car collision on El Camino Real 100 feet south of Brewster Ave., Thursday afternoon.

Richard was driving a northbound vehicle which had stopped for a signal. A car driven by Fidel H. Rios, 21, 1112 El Camino Real, stopped behind Richard. A truck driven by Kenneth V. Orbison, 31, 1316 I St., Sacramento, also northbound, struck the rear of the Rios car, driving it into the DeStafano vehicle.

Street Hearing

A public hearing will be held May 2 by the county planning commission on the renaming of about 30 streets in the south end of the county, Frank Skillman, commission secretary, announced Saturday.

The changes have been requested by citizens and postal officials who find the duplication of names confusing.

Skillman said that parts of the south end of the county are served by the Palo Alto Post Office, and that duplication of street names often occur.

The streets to be renamed are in the area from North Redwood City to the Santa Clara County line, and are principally in the Emerald Lake and East Palo Alto area.

Placards are to be posted on the streets which would be renamed.

Carpenter Jailed

Emil A. Schwartz, 29, 160 Harrison Ave., a carpenter, was arrested on a charge of drunkenness and for investigation of battery.

His opponent in an altercation last Friday in front of his home was George M. Torres, 85 Edgewood Ave., Menlo Park. Torres apparently came off second best in whatever discussion the pair had.

Police Chief C. L. (Mickey) Collins said the two men had made a saloon tour earlier last Friday, arriving at Schwartz' home at 9:30.

Schwartz, he continued, accused Torres of stealing his wallet and struck him. As a result Torres is in Community Hospital suffering from a broken jaw.

The wallet in question is still missing.

Machine Strike

Seven Bay Area machinists unions had served notice Tuesday with the U. S. Dept. of Labor of intention to strike.

The strike vote in the seven unions came as a result of a failure in wage negotiations. A total of 22,100 machinists would be involved if a walkout is called.

The union is seeking increases in pay ranging from 25 to 27 per cent.

All plants in San Mateo County employing machinists would be affected if a strike is called. Among the major plants which would be affected are National Motor Bearing Co. and Pacific Portland Cement Co. in Redwood City and Dalmo Victor in San Carlos.

Move to SC

The possibility of moving the San Mateo County Agricultural Dept. offices to San Carlos was raised Monday in a letter written to the board of supervisors by the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce.

William F. Klose, president of the San Carlos civic group, wrote the board that since the agricultural station must be moved — the land on which it now rests has been sold — the San Carlos Chamber of Commerce would be interested to know if San Carlos would be considered as a site.

Klose added that if the county shows interest in the proposal, the chamber of commerce would approach the San Carlos City Council about the matter.

Fragrant Acres

The name of Friendly Acres may have to be changed to Fragrant Acres unless the telephone strike is called off or the temperature takes a sudden nose dive.

Edward Boicelli, who lives on El Camino Real in Friendly Acres, told Asst. County Fire Warden Ernest Werder Saturday that his cow died two days ago.

Te tried to telephone the San Jose tallow factory to come for the cow, Boicelli said, but no soap.

He couldn't get the call through because of the strike.

The carcass is getting just a little bit ripe, he added.

And Saturday was the hottest day in the year.

Dies in Hospital

George E. O'Neil, 62-year-old head custodian at the San Mateo County courthouse, died Friday in a San Mateo hospital. He had been ill several months.

Mr. O'Neil, a native of British Columbia, had lived in San Mateo 25 years and was a member of the San Mateo Lodge 1112 B.P.O. Elks, the County Employes Assn., and the Holy Name Society of St. Matthews Catholic Church, San Mateo.

Mr. O'Neil was employed as a gardener by the county in 1929, made custodian in 1936 and promoted to head custodian last Aug. 15. He has been on leave of absence due to his illness since Jan. 31.

He was never married, and survivors include three brothers, J. Fred O'Neil, proprietor of the O'Neil Stanford Bowl in Palo Alto; Clarence (Pat) O'Neil, San Jose, and Thomas J. O'Neil, formerly a member of the Canadian parliament.

Pat in Pomona Play

Miss Patricia M. Duttweiler, daughter of Fred Duttweiler, 143 Somerset St., Redwood City, is one of 11 Pomona College students participating in the presentation of an Ecuadorian play there at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, as part of the Spanish-American Day celebration being held on three of the Associated Colleges campuses.

The Spanish clubs of Scripps College, Claremont College for Men and Pomona College have joined this year in reviving the annual celebration, discontinued in 1941 because of the war.

Miss Duttweiler will play the part of the mother in "El Viaje del Provinciano," one of two South American plays being presented. The remainder of the celebration will consist of typical South and Central American songs and dances, all presented by students in the three organizations.

Miss Duttweiler, who was graduated from Sequoia High School in 1945, is living at the Spanish House on the Pomona College campus.

News Told

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Godal of Palo Alto have announced that their daughter, Margery, will become the bride of Duane Arthur Tank, son of the Cecil Tanks, in a formal ceremony in the Redwood City Seventh Day Adventist Church on May 3 at 8:30 p.m.

Barbara De Bella and Mrs. Bernard Crane (Hazel Freeman) will be honor attendants at the wedding. Constance Dalmadge, who later in May will become Mrs. William Canole, is also to be in the wedding party. The bride-elect's niece, little Betty Lou Barron, will be the flower girl.

Margery graduated from Palo Alto High School in 1945 and is employed in Palo Alto at the present time. Duane attended Sequoia High School before serving 13 months in the army medical corps. He is employed in Mountain View, where the couple will live.

Rejects SC Bid

Mrs. A. S. Kalenborn said Tuesday that when she received notice of the appointment to serve on a San Carlos election panel she sent her refusal to the mayor explaining that when she recently took over the chairmanship of the Woodhaven Girl Scout drive for funds she had promised Mr. Kalenborn she would assume no further civic duties.

Mrs. Kalenborn, a former member of the San Carlos Recreation Commission, was not reappointed by Mayor Kearns when her term expired last year.

Mrs. Kalenborn said she had expressed the thought in her reply that "the voters of San Carlos will evidence their usual good sense and vote intelligently on the bond issue. She added that she would be glad to call attention to the election to anyone with whom she came in contact.

Heads Lions

Belmont Fire Chief Elbert E. Miller last Friday was installed the first president of the newly-organized Belmont Lions Club at a meeting at Bondy's attended by 200 members and their wives.

International Councilor Daniel O'Connell of Burlingame was the installing officer. John Hoffman, deputy district governor, was present to welcome the new club, as were Dep. Dist. Gov. Les Harte of Burlingame and Zone Chmn. Joseph Territo of Redwood City.

Other officers installed last night were Mayor James F. Furlong Jr., first vice president; Jack Biddulph, second vice president; John Eranosian, third vice president; Louis Morton, secretary; Dr. Lee Robert Gambitz, treasurer; Louis Morton, lion tamer, and Arvel (Tex) Harris, tail twister.

Directors are Lloyd Taft and J. S. Bebb, one year, and Lee Dryden and Ed Dougherty, two years.

New members taken into the club last night were W. C. Bartlett, C. B. Anderson, Al P. Basso, Kenneth J. Hinker, Paul H. Gardner, Michael J. Hughes, Stanley B. Cohn, Sam Goldblatt, Ernest L. Nugent, Joseph A. Smith, Wiley D. Nugent, P. O. Lind and Ben Speiser.

San Carlos and San Mateo clubs were the sponsoring groups.

Entertainment was provided by Mac & Armando.

Gets Building Grant

Approval of a request for construction of a $208,320 livestock exposition building was granted Tuesday by the construction division of the Office of the Housing Expediter in San Francisco.

This grant is one of 112 non-residential projects in Northern California representing a building cost estimated at $1,904,001.

Fifty-four other applications, involving estimated costs of nearly two millions were rejected.

Only other Peninsula unit approved was a $98,000 warehouse at Sunnyvale.

Fire Warming

Fire Chief John Volpiano announced Tuesday that it is now fire permit time in the Woodside-Portola fire district and that all persons in the area wishing to burn rubbish must obtain a permit to do so.

Volpiano ponted out that the Emerald Lake Highlands is in the fire district and that residents there can receive their permits at the Woodside fire station.

Man Hangs Self

The body of Bernard M. Yates, South San Francisco carpenter and father of three small children, was found hanging from a crude noose in his South San Francisco jail cell early Saturday morning.

His body apparently had dangled from a cell door hinge for nearly six hours before it was discovered by Police Officers Don Lombardi and William Ridenour at 2 a.m.

The alternative to the death which Yates chose was at most a short jail term for drunkenness and striking his wife.

Yates was arrested early last Friday by Officers Michael Lamuth and Lester Anderson while seated in his automobile on a busy street corner.

They reported he had been drinking and that Mrs. Yates, who had been hunting for him, had found him in his car. When she tried to drive him home, the officers said, he struck her.

He was jailed shortly after 7 p.m.

At 2 a.m. Lombardi and Ridenour were passing Yates' cell and saw a strip of cloth looped on an outside hinge. They jerked the cell door open and found Yates' lifeless body hanging in a noose he had made with a strip of ticking from his mattress in his cell.

Dep. Coroner Silvio Nieri reported that the prisoner had committed suicide within an hour after being placed in the cell.

Yates leaves his widow, Opal, and three children by a former marriage, Phyllis 12, Barnes 8, and Marlin 6.

The family lived at 280 Victory Ave., South San Francisco. Yates, a carpenter foreman at Mills Field was married to his present wife two years ago.

Trial Postponed

The trial of six persons charged with conspiracy in the fire which burned down the house of John T. Walker was postponed Tuesday until May 13.

Superior Judge Edmund Scott postponed the trial at the request of defense attorneys. Nathan C. Coghlan, representing two of the accused, last week told Judge Scott that he could not appear until about the middle of May due to another trial in Oakland.

The six persons accused of conspiracy are John B. Arlotti, Henry R. Harkins, who at present are on trial for arson; Mrs. Arlotti, Joseph H. Johnson, Frank Lenahan and his daughter, Madelyn.

All but Johnson live in the Dumbarton Oaks area near the house the Negro war veteran was building. Johnson moved to San Bruno last September, when, he has stated, he became frightened at the threats of violence by the residents against the Negroes in the area.

Want Dibble

Supt. A. C. Argo of Sequoia High School announced Friday that an informal meeting between Sequoia school trustees and members of the Menlo Park City Council was held Thursday to discuss the possibility of acquiring the Dibble Hospital site in Menlo Park as a possible school site and recreation center.

Argo said that the school had received a letter from the State Department of Education stating that it might be possible to secure the site from the War Assets Administration.

The former army hospital is now being used by Stanford University for dormitories, but Argo said that Stanford officials had told him that they would be willing to turn back portions of the hospital which are not being used.

The City of Menlo Park, according to Argo, wants part of the site for a recreation center.

Argo said that Dr. John C. Almack of Stanford has recommended to the board of trustees that a site in the Menlo Park area be acquired by the district, and that the Dibble property would be satisfactory. The board of trustees had previously considered the hospital site, but found that it was unavailable at the time.

A month ago, the Sequoia board of trustees began condemnation proceeding against the Donohoe property on Middlefield Rd. in Atherton as a site for a future high school in the south end of the district.

Charles E. Merrill and W. W. Hilton represented the Sequoia board at last Thursday's meeting.

Word Battle

William F. Hatzenbehler, 20, 243 Jackson Ave., and Alfred E. Bolton, 31, 147 Jackson, were arrested Saturday afternoon by Redwood City police on a charge of disturbing the peace.

Police Lt. S. D. Wood said the pair was arrested after Andrew Versey, 839 Poplar Ave., had signed a complaint against them. The lieutenant said the pair is charged with using profane language in the presence of Mrs. Versey.

Hatzenbehler is a plasterer and Bolton a presser.

Both were taken to the San Mateo County jail.

BUILDING BAROMETER
REDWOOD CITY
(Reported by Bldg. Insp. L. M. Duncan)

To Date This Year $784,600
To Date Last Year ...$1,723,100
NEW PERMIT — A Bonetti, 910 Redwood Ave., $4500 dwelling.

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BUILDING BAROMETER
BELMONT
(Reported by City Clerk Catherine Heartsner)

To date this year.....$643,120
New Permits — S. M. Ruzic, 400 Lyon Ave., $10,00 dwelling; John B. Lamb, 1912 Hellman Rd., $11,000 dwelling; Naomi Russell, 902 Academy Ave., $6500 dwelling; B. J. Lalor, 1626 Fairway Dr., $8000 dwelling.

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BUILDING BAROMETER
SAN CARLOS
(Reported by Bldg. Insp. O. W. Stewart)

To date this year.....$1,317,750
New Permits — A. T. Davinroy, 2020 Howard Ave., $8000 dwelling; Consolidated Mfg. Co., 1007 Branston Rd., $100 gas storage tank; Lindo Guerra, 1972 St. Francis Way, $12,000 dwelling; Western Pumastone, $2000 bunker; Cecil Ball, 2152 Greenwood, $8000 dwelling; California Water Service, $1000 pump station; Emil Steinegger, 631 Laurel, $8000 alterations; William Sauer, 125 Garnet, $10,- dwelling.

RC Graduates

Fourteen students from Redwood City were listed among those graduating from Stanford University at the end of the winter quarter, Pres. Donald D. Tresidder explained Saturday.

Redwood City people include: Robert Homans Conner, Martha Stratton Ashley, John Francis Gahagan, Robert Westerman Gray, Edward Robert Keblusek, Paul Melton, William Robert Wendell, John Benjamin Misz, Walter Howard Harrington Jr., Frank Gard Jamesson, William Dale Edwards, Knight Raymond, John William Ashley and Stanley Van Vliet White.

Of the 228 in the graduating class there were the following additional students from this area, Dr. Tresidder reported:

Belmont — Burt Ray Thorne.

Menlo Park — Beth Eleanor Childs, Gertrude Hinton, Raymond Squire, Thomas Catron III, William R. Ernst. Paul G. McComas, Angelo Mountanos, Leslie Navran, Charles W. Erickson, Leroy C. Perkins, James R. Glade, Florence M. Bourret.

San Carlos — Clinton L. Dornbush.

Building Boom

The building business in Redwood City took a jump during the past week, Bldg. Insp. L. M. Duncan pointed out today.

So far this month, Duncan has issued permits for the construction of $204,950 worth of buildings. This figure compares with the $189,550 worth issued during the first 12 days of April, 1946.

Despite the spurt, the worth of permits issued so far for 1947 still lags behind those issued for a similar period in 1946.

To date in 1947, Duncan has issued permits for the construction of $780,100 worth as compared with $1,718,100 worth for the same period in 1946.

January, February and March of 1947 lagged considerably behind similar months last year.

Duncan attributed the spurt this week to the fact that many prospective builders anticipate a drop in the price of building materials, especially lumber. He said that Redwood City lumber yards were also anticipating such a drop and consequently are not carrying a heavy inventory of lumber.

Permits issued yesterday—Isadore Schwartz, $9000 dwelling, 575 Sapphire St.; E. C. Frey, $9000 dwelling, 579 Sapphire; S. A. Celotti, 206 Center St., $5000 dwelling; Richard Alvis, 1022 Clinton St., $8000 dwelling; Carl Moskoff, 18 Eagle Hill Terrace, $5000 dwelling.

Series Starts

The Spring concert series at the will be opened this evening at College of Notre Dame in Belmont 8 o'clock when Patrick McVey, ex-navy flier, will present a program.

Two years ago, young Mr. McVey was singing to the accompaniment of an airplane motor in a navy patrol bomber in the Pacific. Since his return to civilian life, he has concentrated on further study in San Francisco toward a concert and operatic career.

Mr. McVey has appeared in several important roles in Denver with Giovanni Martinelli, Francesco Valentino and Norma Greco under the auspices of the Denver Grand Opera Co.

Rose Resnick, blind pianist, is the assisting artist on the program. Miss Resnick is a graduate of Fontainebleau Conservatory in France and is well known to Bay Area audiences.

Miss Betty Jean Taylor will accompany Mr. McVey in his recital.

P.O. Robbed

Burglars, believed to be juveniles, broke open a post office box at the Half Moon Bay Post Office during the weekend but evidently took nothing, the sheriff's office reported Monday.

Dep. Sheriff Paul Jensen said that he believed a strip of picture wire was used to open the box, which was rented by the Coast Gas Service. The burglars tore up a money order and ignored a check, after opening all the letters in the box.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Charles W. Fisher, Atty.

Notice of Administratrix With the Will Annexed. Sale of Real Estate at Private Sale. No. 92791—Dept. 4.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda.

In the Matter of the Estate of LARS E. OLSON, also known as L. E. OLSEN, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that Viola I. Olsen, administratrix with the will annexed of the estate of Lars E. Olsen, also known as L. E. Olson, deceased, will sell at private sale, in one parcel, to the highest bidder, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on or after Monday, the 21st day of April, 1947, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Lars E. Olsen, also known as L. E. Olsen, deceased, at the time of his death, in and to the real property hereinafter described, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate has, by operation of law, or otherwise, acquired, other than or in addition to that of said deceased, at the time of his death, or, in, and to the following described piece of real property:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of San Mateo, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Numbered Five (5) in block numbered One Hundred and Twenty Six (126) as shown and designated on the recorded plat of South San Francisco, filed in Redwood City, Calif.

Terms and conditions of sale: Cash, in lawful money of the United States of America; ten (10) per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale; balance on confirmation of sale. Cost of title insurance at the expense of the purchaser. The purchaser to assume the payment of, and take the property purchased by him subject to all the state and county taxes, and all assessments of whatsoever name or nature, which are now or may be hereafter chargeable to or a lien against the property purchased by him.

All bids or offers must be in writing, and may be left at the office of Charles W. Fisher, attorney for said administratrix with the will annexed, at 1540 San Pablo Avenue, Oakland, California, or may be delivered to said administratrix with the will annexed personally, in said City of Oakland, County of Alameda, or may be filed in the office of the clerk of this court, at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of the sale.

Dated: March 25th, 1947.

Viola I. Olsen, Administratrix with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Lars E. Olsen, etc., deceased.

Charles W. Fisher, Attorney for Administratrix with the Will Annexed, 1540 San Pablo Ave., Oakland, Calif.

Published in Times-Gazette Apr. 4, 11, 18, 1947.

Teachers Get Raise

A $600 a year wage boost for all teachers in the Menlo Park School Dist. was approved Monday by the school board. The new pay scale will start July 1 at the beginning of the teachers' contract year.

The raise had been recommended by the teachers' salary committee. The salary range next year will run from $2400 to $3840. The range this year was $1800 to $2880.

The board last Monday also gave Supt. O. H. Olson the go-ahead signal on a population survey of the school district. A similar survey to determine present and future needs for facilities for school children has just been completed by Louis Burnett, Willow School superintendent.

Olson reported that construction will probably begin on the Fremont School addition about June 1. Bids for the work are to be opened May 15. Possibility of using a room at Stanford Village as school facilities for Village children of kindergarten age and primary age is being investigated by the board.

A dancing class for teachers was approved by the board. The class will be taught by Mrs. Mildred Buhler, Redwood City dancing teacher, as part of a physical education program being developed for Menlo Park Schools.

Menlo Park school children will join with East Palo Alto pupils in a school holiday Friday, Apr. 18, when district teachers attend the institute in Burlingame.

Schedules Season

The Menlo Park Circus Club has begun the 1947 season and released the list of committees.

The board of directors are Mr. Henry N. Kuechler Jr., president; Mr. Frank R. Walker, vice president; Mr. Winston C. Black, secretary; Mr. William E. Jason, treasurer, and Mr. Edward E. Eyre, Mrs. Hugh David Phillips, Mr. Leland S. Rosener, Mrs. Archie M. Stevenson, Mr. Horton P. Westler.

Committees are working on their respective schedules for events of the season. All plans will then be fitted into the master plan.

Buffet luncheons are served every Tuesday at 1 p. m. and barbecue dinners every Thursday at 7:30. Reservations must be made for these events.

The next breakfast ride will be held Sunday, Apr. 27. Plans are made to leave the stables at 9 a.m. and return to the Shack for breakfast at 10 a.m.

Youth Jailed

A 16-year-old south San Mateo County youth was in the juvenile detention home Monday charged by Redwood City police with automobile theft.

The Sequoia High School student was apprehenhed Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Brewster Ave. and Duane St., while driving a jeep he is charged with stealing from a parking place at Marshall St. and Winslow Ave.

Police Lt. S. D. Wood said the youngster, in jail, had admitted at least four other automobile thefts. All cars involved in these previous thefts had been recovered before the arrest. The jeep stolen belonged to Daryl G. Kirk, 19 Woodrow St. Police do not give the names of juveniles arrested.

Two Men Jailed

Two Mountain View men were in county jail charged with the theft of a passenger car and a newspaper truck.

Andrew R. Perez, 22, and Robert T. Delgado, 21, were arrested by California Highway Patrol officers at 1:53 this morning, four minutes after an all-points bulletin was put on the police radio. They were arrested in Millbrae driving a truck stolen a few minutes before from in front of Sunny Jim's Cafe, Bayshore Hwy., Friendly Acres.

The CHP reported that George Birdsell of San Francisco, driver for the T. W. Gilboy Co., telephoned the CHP office that while he was having a cup of coffee his truck was stolen from in front of the restaurant. The truck was carrying newspapers and motion picture films from San Francisco to Salinas.

The two men also accused of having stolen a car owned by Mrs. Gertrude Whitney of Mountain View. CHP officers said that the two men drove Mrs. Whitney's car from Mountain View, ran out of gas in Friendly Acres and then took the truck. They were first believed headed south, but then circled north.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Dreyfus & McTernan, Attys.

Notice of Administratrix' Sale of Real Property at Private Sale.—No. 95333.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda.

In the Matter of the Estate of Eleanor Jewell Sturges, sometimes known as Eleanor J. Sturges, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Ethel G. Hutchison, Administratrix with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Eleanor Jewell Sturges, sometimes known as Eleanor J. Sturges, Deceased, will, on or after Monday the 21st day of April, 1947, sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, subject to confirmation of the above named Court, all the following real property belonging to the Estate of the above Decedent, lying and being in the County of San Mateo, State of California, and described as follows, to-wit:

An undivided one-half (½) interest in all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate in the platted real property known as Granada, County of San Mateo, State of California, to-wit:

LOT Twelve (12) Block No. Forty-six (46) of Subdivision No. Two (2), said Subdivision Two (2) being the resubdivision of Subdivisions Two (2) and Three (3) of Granada according to the recorded plat of said subdivision on file in the Recorder's office of said County.

Terms and conditions of sale: Cash, lawful money of the United States; ten per cent (10%) of the purchase price to be paid at the time of sale, balance on confirmation of sale by said Superior Court. Search of title at expense of purchaser.

All bids or offers must be in writing, and may be left at the office of Dreyfus & McTernan, 57 Post Street, San Francisco, California, or with the Administratrix of the Estate of the said Decedent, care of Dreyfus & McTernan, 57 Post Street, San Francisco, or may be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of said sale.

The said Administratrix reserves the right to reject any and all bids for the purchase of said real property.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1947.

Ethel G. Hutchison, Administratrix with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Eleanor Jewell Sturges, sometimes known as Eleanor J. Sturges.

Dreyfus & McTernan, Attorneys for said Administratrix, 57 Post St., San Francisco, Calif.

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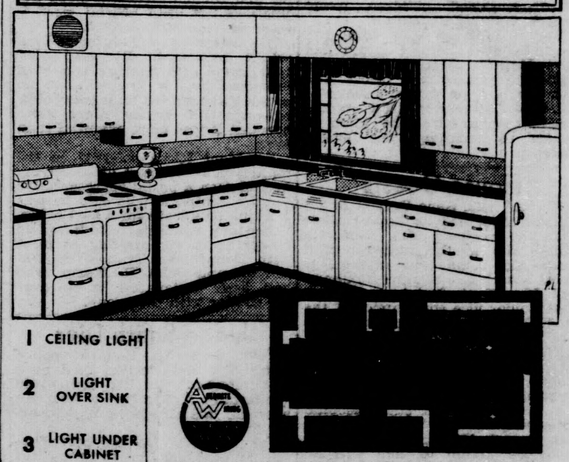

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Garden Tips

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

It's been about a year now since this column offered the Marcross C 13x6 corn, and still folks are talking about it. Because few people think the quality is up there with Golden Cross Bantam, there's little chance that the seeds will be put in retail packets in the near future. (There are a lot of things in packets, however, with less virtue . . . mustard greens for example.)

Marcross corn's big advantage is it's extreme earliness. And I find most enthusiastic reports from vicinities where most corn hasn't been too succesful on account of the cool foggy summers. Those who want to plant it can ask their regular dealers to send for it. In bulk the Marcross seed isn't so very expensive.

Fern A. Boellware says her husband was puting walnut leaves in the compost heap until some one told him it was bad policy. . . . I can't agree. Decomposed walnut leaves are akay. If they weren't, does it not seem logical that walnut trees would eventually go out of existence because their own leaves made the very soil in which they grow toxic?

Titus H. Mochino of Sacramento writes that his 30'x30' plot is infested with nematodes. The new material, DD, applied at eight inch intervals in every direction are currently thought to be the most helpful against this dangerous pest.

C. W. Cross says that "by tamping tomato plants in firmly, watering and inserting a shingle in the ground immediately south of the plants, all wilting is avoided and the plant becomes established promptly." That's a good way.

Also—"I have had exceptionally strong vigorous vines when I have put plants into the ground so that all but the leaves are covered."

This is also recommended. The lower you can start the roots, the better off your tomatoes are. A good working rule is to plant them just so the lowest leaves are about an inch above the surface. The tomatoes don't grow quite so fast the first week or so afterwards. But they more than make up for this later.

Another garden favorite, the eggplant, takes longer to mature, and has shallower roots. Plant them at just a little under the depth in the flats.

Alice F. Knight writes: "We have several acres now, about five miles out of Oroville and we call it 'Home Port.' My husband was in the navy, and after 26 years of it, with all the moving, it is wonderful to be able to stay put. Now we can even start seeds and feel reasonably sure that we'll be here to see the flowers and shrubs grow up.

"We have about 30 regal lily plants raised from seed. . . . Last year's vegetable garden results are still coming out of the locker and cans for our eating enjoyment."

Mrs. George McCracken of Rosenelee, asks what makes yellow sap run out of apricot trees now. Probaly the cause is borers; control by spraying, or it might be bacterial gummosis. Spray tres with bordeaux mixture.

Mrs. H. F. Halliday asks for a "grass seed mixture for a back lawn which will get lots of hard wear?" Golden Gate Park mixture is able to take the beating.

She also asks if loquat trees should be pruned. Like most evergreens the loquat needs only enough pruning to make the tree symmetrical. As it grows older, the dead wood must be removed.

Loquat trees are evergreen, but that's because new leaves are always growing to replace the leaves ever falling. With a loquat tree, you're ever raking.

Mrs. D. M. Jackson, up in El Dorado County, has put up a six foot fence with barbed wire above that to keep out the deer which really took the garden before.

S. McFadden of Sacramento writes: "A good way to kill undesirable trees is to bore a hole six to eight inches deep downward on four sides of tree toward the heart. Fill with coal oil and set it on fire. It will kill the roots as well as the tops."

How about some reports from you "Pearl Harbor" tomato seed planters. When you think of these Pearl Harbors, remember me?

Sue for $36,000

A suit asking for $36,000 damages was filed in superior court Tuesday by Manual R. Torres a gardener, who lives at 420 Douglas St., as the result of an automobile accident in Atherton on Mar. 16.

The suit named as defendant, Herman Swenson, the driver of the car with which the Torres automobile collided, and Swenson's father's Charles Swenson, of 739 Arlington Rd., the owner of the car.

The complaint states that Torres and two sons, Charles, 2, and Manuel, 4, were injured in the accident, which occurred at the intersection of El Camino Real and Wilburn Ave.

Three Persons Hurt

Three persons suffered minor injuries Sunday afternoon when a panel truck driven by Robert M. Tuttle, 18, 1001 Harvard Rd., San Mateo, collided with a car driven by Anita M. Gustafson, 35, 1431 Park Blvd., San Mateo.

The accident occurred at 5:20 o'clock on El Camino Real near Ruth Ave., Belmont. Tuttle, Mrs. Gustafson, and Ray Gustafson, 10, 650 Ventura Ave., San Mateo, were taken to Community Hospital for treatment but were released shortly after, police said.

Takes Post

Iola P. Sparks of San Mateo was installed as president of the newly formed Peninsula chapter of the California State Employes Assn., at a charter night dinner held recently at the Gables in Belmont.

Other officers installed include: Arthur Jacobs of Redwood City, first vice president; Gilbert Keitle of South San Francisco, second vice president; Emerson J. Miller, Burlingame, treasurer; and Irene Bergman, San Mateo, secretary.

Guest speaker of the evening was William J. Cullinan, regional director of the association.

Bayshore Contract

State Dir. of Public Works C. H. Purcell let a contract for another unit of the Bayshore Freeway to Harry J. Oser and Peter Sorenson, Redwood City, $412,331.55.

The work called for in the contract consists of construction of three bridges and the substructures for two railroad overheads in the City of South San Francisco.

Boy Scout News

Eleven new Eagle Scouts were initiated last night into the ranks of Knights of Dunamis, National Eagle Scout honor fraternity, in an impressive ritual ceremony at Gunst Park attended by county chapter members and Scout Executive E. A. Barrer, patrol general of the local group.

The neophyte Knights, who received their Eagle ranks last September, are George McGaffizan and Richard Armstrong, Troop 1160, Redwood City; Edward Soriven, Troop 92, Hillsborough; Walter Laubscher and Walter Lee, Explorer Post 49, San Mateo; William Lohman, Air Squadron 1, Burlingame; William Paul, Troop 152, Burlingame; Donald Weaver, Troop 100, San Mateo; Philip Jaeger, Troop 142, San Mateo; Julius Kahn III, Ship 111, Burlingame; Edmund Wilkins, Troop 10, Burlingame.

Initiation was directed by Dean Borba, commander of the San Mateo county chapter.

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TROOP 105

R. M. Crangle of the Redwood City Sportsmen's Club was chief instructor and guest of honor at this week's meeting of Troop 105, Redwood City, when he presented a course in knot tying to the unit's 15 Scouts. Later in the week, members made overnight camp in Tunitas Canyon, led by Scoutmaster T. J. Seitz.

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TROOP 143

A night hike to Third Creek, climaxed by a wiener roast, marked this week's activities of Troop 143, Redwood City, according to Hamilton L. Day, neighborhood commissioner for the unit. Scoutmaster Martin DeFore conducted the Scouts on the expedition.

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TROOP 160

Scouts of Troop 160, Redwood City, taking advantage of the weekend's fine weather, camped out Saturday and Sunday in the Kings Mountain area, Comsr. Walter Shugert said yesterday. Meanwhile, troop committeemen agreed this week to serve as "Dads" for each of the unit's patrols, promising to supervise at least one outdoor activity for each patrol every month. Increased emphasis will be placed on merit badge achievements, tests for which the "dads" will conduct during the intrapatrol outings. This new plan, instigated by Shugert in cooperation with Scoutmaster Floyd Hagen, is designed to support the Scout Council's drive for increased Scout rank advancement.

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Den mothers from southern division Cub Packs met last week at the San Carlos City Hall for a series of demonstrations of Cub ceremonies, presented by Pack 22, Redwood City, under direction of Mrs. R. M. Gebbie.

The Cubs showed the den mothers sample opening and closing procedures for den meetings, and wound up their performance with an example of a Bobcat investiture ceremony for new Cubs.

In general charge of the meeting were Mrs. Will Rogers, southern division den mother commissioner, and Chet E. Wilson, assistant scout executive.

Den mothers present were Mmes. J. E. Adair, Pack 49, Redwood City; D. Batsford, Leroy Helsel Jr., H. E. Hunt, Pack 53, San Carlos; Lee Perl, Winifred Campbell, Grace Mesler, Doris Lans, H. Gaines, H. Fry, H. J. Davis and H. P. Helstrup Pack 52, San Carlos; Charles Ghielmetti, Katharine Dettner and Rae Leimetz, Pack 15, Redwood City; M. Crummey, Pack 40, Redwood City, and Mrs. Gebbie.

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Committees in charge of the Camp-O-Rett scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Apr. 26 and 27, in Flood Park, were announced today by Henry Glaves, cochairman of the southern division event.

Members of Knights of Dunamis will be in charge of planning the layout of the grounds as to tent placement and demonstration areas.

Conducting the inter-troop and inter-patrol contests will be Hamilton Day, neighborhood commissioner, and Donald Stout, assistant scoutmaster of Troop 120, Redwood City:

George Angus Jr., Eagle Scout of Troop 107, Menlo Park, will act as first aid officer for the two-day camp, and Walter Sjosten, neighborhood commissioner, will direct wood-gathering activities.

Scoring of points in scout contests will be handled by S. E. Marcus, chairman of the southern division advancement committee, who will also assist Cook in inspecting troop camps for sanitacion, cleanliness and efficiency.

Emerson E. Boiz, neighborhood commissioner, and Cook will be in charge of church services to be held Sunday for each denomination. Knights of Dunamis will supervise registration of units and the judging of packs for distribution of weight and contests.

The Camp-O-Rett, to be duplicated the same weekend in the northern and central districts of the Scout Council, will precede the all-council Camp-O-Ree to be held May 17 and 18 at Flood Park, and will be conducted as training and practice camps for the council-wide competitive event.

Applications for troop participation in the Camp-O-Retts may be obtained at Burlingame Scout headquarters and must be filed there by Friday, deadline for registrations, for which no fee will be charged.

Camp-O-Rett programs will begin with tallying of registrations Saturday at 9 a.m. in each of the three districts. Rest of the morning will be devoted to organizing of each troop camp, followed by lunch and opening ceremonies and instructions. Inter-troop competition in Scoutcraft will be held during the afternoon, and after dinner a court of honor will be conducted around the campfire.

Sunday's program includes separate church services for each denomination, followed by additional inter-troop contests and games. After lunch, final awards for troops winning most points in the competitions will be presented, and camps will be closed at 2 p.m.

The same type of program will prevail at the Camp-O-Ree in May, with the addition of swimming meets. Registration deadline for this event will be May 10, and a fee of 15 cents for each Scout and Scouter enrolling will be charged to cover cost of Camp-O-Ree emblems, which will not be awarded to those not registered in advance.

Bandit Nabbed

The second of a brace of youthful bandits who police officers say have admitted holding up the Tonga Club and Hidden Valley Inn in a two-day robbery splurge was arrested last Friday in San Francisco.

Earl William Bell, 20-year-old son of a painting contractor, was picked up at his home by San Carlos Officer Edwin Maillard and Dep. Sheriff Milton Minehan. The youth denied the robberies until the officers reached San Carlos with him; then he admitted the holdups.

He was formally arrested at the county jail, arraigned before Justice of the Peace E. I. McAuliffe this morning for the Tonga Club holdup, and a preliminary hearing set for next Friday.

His alleged accomplice, Ralph Jacobson, 20, of Redwood City, was arrested Mar. 31 in Reno. Jacobson was bound over to superior court for the Tonga Club robbery after a preliminary hearing before Judge McAuliffe yesterday afternoon.

Each man is held at the county jail in lieu of $10,000 cash bail, or $20,000 bond for each of the robberies. To be released pending trial, the pair would have to post $40,000 in cash, or put up a bond of $80,000.

The story of the robberies and the subsequent arrest was told this morning by Officer Maillard:

The two met in a San Francisco bar about Mar. 19, discussed their interest in guns, and subsequently plotted the robberies.

On Saturday, Mar. 22, they bought two army .45 caliber automatic pistols in San Francisco.

Sunday, they entered the Tonga Club, on El Camino Real south of Redwood City, sat about until the other customers left, and then held up the bartender, William Gannon.

Two other men entered the bar, and these also were held up. They were Carl R. Rehbock and W. V. Keates.

The bandits took a total of $320, a gold wrist watch and a bottle of whisky.

The next day they held up the Hidden Valley Inn in San Carlos, where they took $560 in cash, two watches and six bottles of whisky.

Owner Nat Ciampi was threatened with a fishknife, his clothes slashed, and told to hand over a ring or have his finger cut off.

Ciampi went with the officers to San Francisco and identified Bell as the man who slashed at him.

Maillard said that the two bandits threw one of the watches away along Skyline Blvd., and another into San Francisco Bay while traveling over the bay bridge. They split up in San Francisco, Maillard said, and Jacobson took both guns.

One of the guns was found when Jacobson was arrested, and the other recovered this morning under the floor of a garage in the home of a relative in Woodside.

Maillard and Minehan said that Bell signed a statement admitting the robberies after questioning in the district attorney's office.

The men are charged with three counts of robbery in the holdup of the Tonga Club, and one count in the Hidden Valley Inn holdup.

A preliminary hearing in the Hidden Valley Inn robbery will be held Apr. 22 in the San Carlos court of Judge Rupert Johnson.

Bids Awarded

Low bids on the proposed Taft and Monroe Schools, accepted by the Redwood City Elementary School board of trustees Thursday, were approximately $14,000 higher than estimates of architect Arthur Janssen.

Peter Sorenson, Redwood City contractor was granted the bid on the Monroe School for $131,050 and Russell A. Cullen of San Francisco was granted the bid on the Taft School for $125,791.

Janssen had previously estimated the cost at $117,000 for Monroe and $112,000 for Taft. Eight contractors bid on each school.

Sorenson at present is constructing the Lincoln School here on Charter St., and doing the alterations on the Washington School. His bid was accepted by the board on condition that funds are available from the sale of the Central School.

The Central School was sold to Albert Ichelson and W. E. Ayer for $123,500 in Sept., 1945. Delivery of the parcel has not been made by the district pending erection of a school to replace it.

Permission to build the two schools was granted by the CPA early this year. The two buildings are needed, according to Supt. Andrew Spinas, to alleviate a severe shortage of classroom space.

Spinas last Thursday told the board, that by the time the Monroe and Taft Schools are completed early next year, increased enrollment will necessitate the construction of further classroom space.

The board discussed at some length the possibility of calling a bond issue in the future for building purposes, or as an alternative, placing before the voters a proposal to increase the tax rate for a period of five years.

The proposed Monroe School is to have five classrooms and a kindergarten, and the Taft School will have six classrooms and a kindergarten. Work on the two schools is expected to begin by May 1.

PTA Meet

The Garfield School Parent Teacher Assn. met Wednesday for the regular meeting with Mrs. Arthur Compin, president, presiding.

Election of officers was held and the new officers will be installed at the meeting on May 7. Officers elected are Mrs. Cecil Silverberger, president; Mrs. John Rode, first vice president; Mrs. Max Thornton, second vice president; Mrs. Vera Gravelle, recording secretary; Mrs. William Kerkus, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Peter Snider, treasurer; Mrs. Eldon Loomis, parliamentarian; Mrs. C. J. Marmont, auditor; Miss Dorothy McConaughay, historian.

Refreshments were served by a committee headed by Mrs. Leo Orlandi.

Has Problem

Asst. Probation Officer Anthony Lovoi has a new juvenile problem on his hands.

Lovoi was passing out cigars at the courthouse Saturday celebrating the birth of a son, Paul Anthony, to Mrs. Lovoi, in Palo Alto Hospital.

The son weighed 5 pounds 12 ounces at birth, and is the couple's second child. The Lovois live at 423 Bay Rd., Menlo Park.

Garden

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

Mrs. C. Keesling of Palo Alto apparently views much that appears in this column with little or no enthusiasm, or belief. That's her privilege — to disagree. And it's mine, to hold to certain opinions too. For example, she writes: "You state coal ashes are poisonous to plant life. Innumerable garden books differ with you but perhaps the Department of Agriculture's 1938 yearbook, "Soils and Men," is the best authority, that coal ashes are beneficial in lightening heavy soils. (page 516).

"Incidentally, I also object to your method of raising carrots. When you have to haul sand around it would be better to buy them. Also, your 6-inch layers of manure (on paper). I'm very close to a dairy and manure is $3 a yard, delivered. I have had quite a nice garden without departing from all common sense."

In defense, or rebuttal, (although I'm not going to debate this) let me reaffirm that coal ashes are generally considered most inadvisable in garden soils . . . that wood ashes in very limited amounts are beneficial. . . I realize that manure is expensive, but I've also seen too many instances of where a greenthumber tried to stretch a sack of it over a whole backyard . . . and so received no noticeable benefit. And sand is still cheap, and still a good thing around a garden with heavy clay soil. . . . And common sense isn't common amongst us all anyway.

The American Fuchsia Society, Peralta Branch, has an outstandingly fine secretary, in Mrs. W. L. Stockinger. Here are a few excerpts from her last letter, which are being run for (a) suggestions to fuchsia growers, and (b) an example for other clubs' secretaries.

"At the April meeting, Dr. Fred Davis talked on blossoms he displayed. Fanfare was recommended as a winter and early spring bloomer, also as a good grower. Anita, he said, is excellent for covering lattice work. Cupid grows in full sun and makes an ideal hedge. Frank Henry, delicate pink and white, grows as a low bush. Cardinal, one of the tallest growing, likes sun. Lindisima, large double rose and mauve, is a strong grower.

"Mr. William Crocket then presented his panel: Mrs. J. L. Connelly, George Trask and C. H. Rees. Discussion took the form of a fireside chat and proved of real interest. They all agreed that the fuchsia bed should be covered four to six inches with manure. Mr. Trask likes to add a brand of organic fertilizer containing sheep manure, and uses no commercial fertilizer. The soil should be thoroughly scratched before the application, which is done before the spring rains. Mr. Rees said he uses 100 sacks of manure through the season.

"Then pinching was discussed. Pinching is done to obtain a well shaped plant and abundance of blooms. This pinching must be started as soon as new growth starts in Spring and kept up until buds start to form.

"Just the very center is pinched out. Two branches then start at the point of pinching and these in turn are pinched, there will be four. You can see this tends to make a compact plant and as the fuchsias bloom on the tips, there will be more blossoms. Mrs. Connelly does this pinching once a week, and I may add she has a very beautiful garden.

"Both good strong stakes, and tieing are highly necessary. Mr. Rees wraps string and then cuts it to obtain uniform lengths. He even dyes it green, and keeps a small amount in handy places in the garden so it's always ready when needed.

"Mr. Rees also has a novel way of labeling. He purchases tiny pill bottles at the drug store. He then writes the name of the plant, using India ink on a small piece of paper, which he puts in the bottle. The bottle then is fastened to the stake and is always there to see.

"After this there was a general asking of questions and I found it intensely gratifying to see the interest everyone took in the whole meeting. . . . Mrs. W. Y. Stockinger."

Girl, 8, Injured

Nadine Nickell, 8, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Nickell, 834 Hillcrest Dr., suffered a fractured collar bone Saturday when a bicycle she was riding ran into the side of an automobile driven by Roy J. Gard, 38, 2506 Oak Knoll Dr.

The accident happened at 10:15 a.m.

California Highway Patrol said that the bicycle came into Oak Knoll from Hillcrest, striking the right side of the eastbound automobile.

Nadine was taken to Community Hospital and later transferred to the Peninsula Clinic for treatment.

Praises Response

T. J. Hallinan, president of the San Mateo County Chapter for Infantile Paralysis, declared Friday that "never before has the public responded so generously to our annual appeal in behalf of the stricken."

Total receipts from the March of Dimes campaign in San Mateo County was $23,466.53.

Redwood City contributed $1967.61 to the fund. Atherton contributed $1031; Menlo Park, $867.29; Belmont, $570.35; San Carlos $385.21; Woodside, $249.

Ends Army Course

S/Sgt. Vernon E. Mullins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Conner Mullins, 1547 Jefferson Ave., graduated from the Quartermaster Food Service Instructors School at Camp Lee, Virginia, last week.

The mission of this school is to train officers and enlisted personnel as Food Service School Instructors. This course is designed to develop instructional ability and teach methods especially applicable to food service schools where such subjects as procurement, storage, preparation, and conservation of food in army messes are taught, officials explained.

Awarded Bicycle

Donald Reetz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reetz, 101 Inner Circle, Saturday afternoon was awarded a new bicycle as a winner in the recent nationwide cereal contest. The presentation was made at Territo's by Bob Greco, local General Mills representative.

Gatov Speaks

Albert W. Gatov, executive director of the Pacific Steamship Assn., speaking at a joint meeting of the Kiwanis Club and Commuters Club, last Thursday explained what the export market means to Redwood City.

He declared that in one Redwood City industry alone, one-third of a million dollars will be earned solely out of world trade, when the export market opens again.

He said this income would be spent each year among Redwood City's shops, merchants, doctors, theaters and other enterprises.

In his address, "Main Street and the American Merchant Marine," Gatov said that the S&W Fine Foods plant here, which now employs about 375 persons with an annual payroll of about $800,000, according to his figures, plans an expansion program which will bring new employes here.

Gatov said that while the export of the food products of this one company ceased with the war and has not yet resumed because of some of the same war borne shortages that are still reflected in every household, S&W is not only planning to resume the export phase of the business of this plant when practicable but is expanding to employ about 700 persons.

"When this is done and the export market opens again," Gatov said, "it will mean about 140 jobs a year in this one plant, and an annual payroll of about one-third of a million dollars earned in Redwood City solely out of world trade of one industry."

Gatov also outlined the construction needs of the merchant marine and a solution to the rate problem of domestic carriers.

Auto Fire Halted

The Woodside Fire Dept. put out a fire in a car belonging to Glen L. Beaver, 4026 Jefferson Ave., at 9:44 p.m. Saturday. According to Fire Chief John Volpiano, the frame and motor of the car were not seriously damaged, although the interior of the automobile was completely gutted.

A neighbor noticed the fire, Volpiano said, shortly after Beaver had parked the car near his home and gone to bed. After neighbors attempted to put the fire out with a garden hose, the Woodside and County Fire Depts. were called.

Laborer Jailed

William Bailey, 32, 121 Nottingham Ave., a laborer, was arrested by Redwood City police Saturday at 11 p.m. on a charge of drunken driving.

Apprehended in the El Camino Real 2300 block, he was later taken to the San Mateo County jail where he was released after he had posted $150 bail.

Arrange Dinner

Members of the Redwood City YMCA Committee Thursday decided to invite their wives to a dinner meeting of the committee May 6 at 6:15 p.m. at the First Methodist Church, preceding a visit to the YMCA building on its anniversary observance.

The "Y" will be seen in action that night, the second anniversary of the completion of the building, located at Brewster Ave. and Clinton St. The building will be open for inspection of the public that night.

James A. Batchelor, Sequoia Dist. YMCA associate secretary, reported that YMCA clubs are handling the current cancer drive in all schools in the Sequoia district.

An average of 117 boys a day used the "Y" facilities during March, Batchelor said.

No successor to Batchelor, who has resigned to become personnel manager at National Motor Bearing Co. May 1, has as yet been named. Batchelor said he would oversee the programs which he has started until the end of the school term, if a replacement is not found in the meantime.

Thursday dinner meeting was held at the First Congregational Church.

Cook Arrested

Jimmie Lee, 52-year-old San Francisco cook, was arrested by the California Highway Patrol on a charge of drunken driving after the car he was driving was involved in a three-car accident south of Millbrae.

The accident occurred on Bayshore Hwy., about 8:20 p.m., Thursday, the CHP reported, and one car slid rearward into the bay as a result of the collision.

The CHP report states that Lee's car struck the rear of a car driven by Roger S. Ayoob, 40, of San Francisco, and then crashed headon into another car driven by Bert P. Nunn, 22, a San Francisco student.

Nunn's car skidded 150 feet and then slid into the bay. None of the drivers was injured.

Lee is scheduled to appear April 23 before Justice of the Peace William Finger in Burlingame. He is held at the county jail in lieu of $100 cash bail.

Pleads Guilty

Robert H. Keller, 19, San Bruno, pleaded guilty to a charge of automobile theft Saturday morning before Police Judge W. H. Thorpe.

The judge certified the case to superior court where sentence will be passed.

Keller was arrested Apr. 9 by Redwood City police.

He was apprehended by San Carlos police taken from the Davies Auto Co. used car lot.

Officers Elected

Election of officers of the business and Professional Women's Club was held at a meeting in the First Congregational Church Wednesday evening. Mrs. Thelma Eberhardt presided.

Mrs. Nelle Miramontes, chairman of the nominating committee presented the names of those nominated and the officers were unanimously elected.

The new officers are Mrs. Ruth Barrett, president; Mrs. Helen Harper, vice president; Mrs. Mabel Jacobson, recording secretary; Mrs. Hilda Phillipi, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Vera Griffith, treasurer; Mrs. Thelma Eberhardt and Mrs. Alice Hunt, directors.

Mrs. Barrett was a charter member of the Concordia, Kan. BPWC in 1921, and has been a member of the local club for the past nine years, having served in various capacities in the club's work. She is state hospital chairman for the Disabled American Veterans and is past commander of the Peninsula Chapter 47 of the DAV Auxiliary, Department of California, Menlo Park.

Delegates for the state convention of the BPWC were elected. They are Mrs. Eberhardt, Mrs. Anna Bennett Robb and Mrs. Alice Hunt as president's alternate.

The installation dinner will be held at the Three Owls on Wednesday, Apr. 23. Mrs. Ruth Tarratt is chairman of decorations, with Dr. Leletia Oakes assisting. Mrs. Margaret Garl will be in charge of entertainment. Dr. Gladys Shutt, vice president of the Bay District will be the installing officer.

Drunk Charge

William J. Ward, 39, 672 Partridge Ave., Menlo Park, a mechanic, was booked by Redwood City police on a charge of drunkenness and for investigation of a charge of drunken driving last Friday.

He was apprehended after a car he was driving and one driven by Karl Peters, Los Altos, collided on El Camino Real. Peters this morning refused to sign a drunken driving complaint against Ward.

Awarded Custody

Judge A. R. Cotton Monday granted a final decree of divorce to John S. Turner, 418 Seventh Ave., Menlo Park, from Elizabeth Turner. Turner charged his wife with extreme cruelty. They were married 18 years ago in San Francisco.

The court awarded custody of three minor children, John, 16; Dallas, 15, and Catherine, 4, to Turner. The court also awarded him all the community property. Turner is a printer.

Rites Read

Janet Clark of this city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Morrill of Petaluma, became the bride of Thomas P. Varney at the First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon. The Rev. Charles H. Gatchell, pastor emeritus, officiated at the service.

Miss Joyce Shakarian, organist, played "I Love You Truly," and "Oh, Promise Me" before the ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a pink suit and pink hat with navy blue accessories and a corsage of baby orchids. Her attendant, Mrs. Jeanette Morrill who is her sister-in-law, wore a brown suit with matching hat and a gardenia corsage.

Wilson R. Morrill, brother of Janet, was the best man. Ushers were Otto Tallent and Robert Clarkson.

Janet's mother wore an aqua suit with navy blue accessories and a gardenia corsage.

A reception for 35 guests was held in the church parlors following the ceremony. A wedding supper was held at the Three Owls for the relatives in the evening.

Janet is a graduate of Santa Rosa High School and attended Santa Rosa Junior College.

Tom graduated from Pikeville High School in Pikeville, Ky. He spent 37 months in the Army and is employed at the present time with the North Redwood Cabinet Shop in San Carlos.

The couple is residing in their new home at 3017 Broadway.

Conduct Course

The demonstration team of the American Theatre Wing spent the third day at the Veterans Administration Hospital Thursday conducting indoctrination course for volunteer workers.

Misses Frances Richard, Colleen Ward and Martha Jones are the three members of the team who have been specially trained to present programs in the neuro-psychiatric hospitals. This course has the approval of Dr. Paul R. Hawley, the chief medical director of the Veterans Administration.

Volunteer workers accompany the unit to the wards and watch the team conduct a party with music and quiz programs. Each worker gains experience in conducting types of social and dramatic programs.

More volunteers are needed to carry out the program. Those who can volunteer their services as accordionists, vocalists, conduct the quiz programs are invited to attend this course either tomorrow or Sunday. Contact Mr. B. J. Rudquist, special services, or Mrs. Jackson Green, chief of the recreation section.

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Have you ever tried to produce an Aisatnaf? I've never tried, but I understand it's quite a chore . . . handling all the details in such a way that it blooms at just the right time . . . so that you see it in all its freshness . . . so rare a thing, indeed, that in all the horticultural world, there's only one man who has ever committed to produce on Aisatnaf for public inspection.

Yeklig Drawoh. That's his name . . . the producer of Aisatnaf.

If you put this column before a mirror, out of the entire sentence, only the following will make sense:

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When you have the answer to the above, simply clip this column and send it with five cents to the circulation manager of this paper, and just SEE what you get.

With enough of mine, let's turn to the writings of H. R. Witt, 2230 W. 136th Ave., San Leandro: "I read your column quite regularly. Some parts of it I do not agree with, but as a rule, it is good enough.

"You ask for letters on your readers' successes or failures. Well, I am a convert to compost and had wonderful results with flowers last year, not having enough compost to try it on vegetables. But this year I have about 10 or 12 tons of good compost and I'm really going to pile it on.

"I am trying to keep some kind of notes and will try and let you know what success I have next Fall.

"I have Victor and Improved Pearson tomatoes ready for transplanting. They were planted in flats treated with compost kept in a cold frame and I believe they have a deeper green color.

"I find that onion seedlings grown in a cold frame with compost seem to grow leggy. The stems are so long they can't hold their heads up."

Perhaps they're not getting enough light, and are too crowded. Frankly, the compost isn't likely to be the big factor . . . it doesn't contain enough nutrient elements to produce such lush growth.

Imagine, Mrs. Charles H. Levy planted Rutgers tomatoes and Brussels sprouts in milk cartons the first of February and transplanted them outside the 23rd, putting hotcaps over the tomatoes. "They are doing fine except one or two Brussels sprouts seedlings look like the birds sat on them. Everything I planted is doing well, despite the heavy soil."

In view of all that's been written about putting tomatoes out in April and May, Mrs. Levy's report at least indicates the Bay Area has a lot of independent thinkers. Good.

We didn't think we would put any vegetables in our garden this year," writes Mrs. H. A. Sims. "But with the increased cost of all things, we're glad we have what we do have. Chard especially and green onions in our lettuce salad are supreme."

Mrs. William Oughton of Sacramento writes that down through the war years she wrote in for every seed offered through this column. That included two varieties of pole snap beans, two varieties of carrots, squash, herbs, corn, even Mung beans (for bean sprouts), cucumber. Last, the Pearl Harbor tomato. Mrs. Oughton saved seed from all, from year to year, and this year, she writes, "I will have a Rolly Langley garden, so I am thanking you for all the good things we have to eat." (My thanks, sincerely, for such interest.)

Which, (for me, anyway) mitigates the frank comment of Mr. Witt.

Mrs. L. N. Irvin of Davis reports that after several years of incorrect pruning, she's learned to handle Boysenberry vines. "Just yesterday I tied up the long stems that started to leaf out. We do enjoy a nice crop of berries."

And in case you're still wondering about the opening. It was just a teaser. (Oh, you'd guessed it?) Okay, then. I'll be seeing you there.

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Denies Making Bomb

John B. Arlotti, one of the defendants in the Dumbarton Oaks arson trial, late Tuesday afternoon repudiated all those parts of a statement in which he had said that he and his brother-in-law had built a bomb with intent to burn John T. Walker's house.

Arlotti also declared that he signed the statement on Dec. 23 only after Dep. Dist. Atty. Fred Wyckoff threatened to "get your whole family jailed."

He admitted, however, that Henry R. Harkins had built a fire bomb in his presence, but claimed that the bomb had been destroyed on Dec. 2, four days before Walker's house burned.

Arlotti was called to the stand by Defense Atty. Gerard Wagstaffe after the jury in the superior court of Judge Edmund Scott had heard the wives of the two accused men testify that their husbands had been asleep at the time the fire started.

Earlier in the afternoon, Joseph H. Johnson was called by Chief Dep. Dist. Atty. A. S. Whitmore, and after giving his name, address and the fact that he moved from Dumbarton Oaks in September, he refused to testify on the grounds that his testimony might tend to incriminate him.

Johnson is charged with conspiracy as a result of the fire, and will go on trial with five other persons on May 13.

Arlotti said that he had never seen or talked to Walker; that he was awakened by Mrs. Arlotti on the morning of Dec. 6 to learn that Walker's house was afire. The roof already had collapsed when he saw the fire, Arlotti said.

During questioning about the construction of the fire bomb Arlotti brought up the subject of kerosene—the second time that the matter has been referred to during the trial.

Dep. Sheriff Paul Jensen last week stated that a jeep-can of kerosene was kept in Arlotti's garage by Johnson. The remark was stricken from the record then.

Tuesday, Arlotti said that late in November Harkins went to Arlotti's garage. Harkins had heard Johnson talk about carrying kerosene in his car, Arlotti stated, and quoted Harkins as saying:

"I can beat that. I'll show you how to make a bomb in no time."

Then Harkins took a glass jar, some gasoline and rubber cement, and in a few minutes had constructed the bomb, Arlotti testified.

On Dec. 23, when he was taken to the district attorney's office, Arlotti stated that he was questioned in relays by the officers from 1:30 p.m. until "after it was dark."

He said that Wyckoff told him: **"If you don't sign this I'm going to get your whole family jailed."**

Arlotti said he signed the statement without reading it.

Other witnesses called by Wagstaffe:

Dan Barnum, 557 Stanford Ave., the father-in-law of Harkins and Arlotti, testified that his wife awakened him upon seeing the fire; that he ran into his daughter's and Harkins' room, where he found both asleep.

Mrs. June Harkins said that she had a bad cold the night of the fire, awoke several times, and that her husband did not leave the bed during the night.

Mrs. Edith Arlotti also was ill and awake part of the night. A "bang", evidently the collapse of Walker's roof, awakened her and she in turn roused her husband who, she said, had not left her side all night.

Sammy Gardner, a trustee at the jail, testified to finding pieces of glass and elbow pipes in the ashes of the fire.

Mrs. Gertrude Binion, 637 Hurlingame Ave., said she was awake, heard a noise and saw Walker's house in flames. She was probably the first eye-witness of the fire, and claimed she saw two cars, one light and one dark, near the fire.

Harvey L. Braswell, 20 Columbia Ave., a carpenter who worked on Walker's house, testified to details of the construction; declared all the money spent went into the house; and admitted owning two cars, one a blue Packard, the other a light tan Oldsmobile.

Two sons of Braswell, Marvin and Orville, testified to working on the house. Wagstaffe said that he was trying to serve a subpena on a third son, Harvey Jr.

Gets One Year

Hilliet LeRoy Johnson, 28-year-old Los Angeles Negro who has pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the traffic death of Grant White, 21-year-old Redwood City Coast Guard veteran, was sentenced Monday by Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton to one year in the county jail and two-year probation.

Johnson, look-out man for a pair of burglars, fled on Dec. 23 at the approach of San Carlos police, and subsequently crashed his car head-on into White's car in San Mateo.

He was the state's star witness in the trial in which Alfred Bundy and Joseph R. Hamilton were convicted of the burglary of the Carlos Market. After pleading guilty to manslaughter, Johnson had asked for probation.

Clark Named

San Carlos Fire Chief Lyle Clark was nominated for president of the Peninsula Fire Chiefs Assn. at last Tuesday's meeting in the Shalimar Restaurant, Burlingame.

William Palin, Hillsborough chief, and Bert Miller of Belmont were nominated for vice president, and Incumbent Robert A. Carel, deputy state fire marshal, for secretary-treasurer.

Installation of officers will take place next month in Sunnyvale.

The meeting was attended by 37 Peninsula fire chiefs, including outgoing Pres. Louis Ledford and Redwood City Chief Joe Lodi.

Rec. Center

Discussion of a project to use the Belle Monti clubhouse as a children's recreation center for the Summer highlighted a meeting of the Belmont Lions Club held Tuesday noon at the Gables in Belmont.

Speaker was James Conway of Belmont who told the group of his plans for operating the swimming pool at the clubhouse.

The meeting was adjourned in the memory of the late Judge John Smith, charter member of the club, who died Sunday.

Parents' Corner

Home Versus Institution

The decision was a tough one to make because in things like that you can never be sure you are right. The decision will determine pretty much the whole life course of an attractive little boy whose parents had been brought into court because they had been neglecting him.

We were meeting in the chambers of a juvenile court judge in a large New England city. The judge was there, and so were the probation officers. A few school people who knew the case had been called in for their advice.

The judge had agreed to do whatever we should recommend, and the question was should we recommend that this little 5-year-old boy be removed from this bad home and be placed in a good child care institution, or should we recommend that he remain at home, the home to be inspected regularly to see that the parents no longer neglected him?

This is a problem that comes up many times in juvenile court and we do not envy our friend, the judge the responsibility of making decisions. How bad must a bad home be to be worse than a good institution? If someone could kindly step forward with the answer to that question we'll pin a medal on his chest!

A number of psychologists and social workers have tried to answer the question scientifically. They have studied the routine of life in good institutions and the routine of life in good, mediocre and bad homes. They have tried to see how well those routines meet normal human needs.

Another way they have gotten at it is to compare the later personalities of people raised in institutions with people raised in various types of homes. Still another way was a long, expensive and involved series of studies comparing the intelligence, personality and physical well-being of identical twins, where one twin had been raised in an institution and his identical counterpart raised in a home. The most famous study involved checking the intelligence of children while in institutions and rechecking them later, after they had lived in normal homes for a time.

You probably can guess the general result of all these expensive investigations. In every one of them that I know anything about, homes came out on top. These studies explain why informed judges and other officials are so reluctant to take children out of even poor homes.

A well managed institution can give a certain regularity to the life of a child, can care for his physical needs and can provide constant companionship with other children. But no institution, however well managed, can provide those immaterial things that seem to be even more important than the physical things.

Each youngster needs to know way down deep inside of him that somebody loves him and always will love him, no matter what he does. Each youngster needs the intimate, daily, person to person care which can be found in a home.

What's wrong in an institution is simply that it is impersonal, and so it doesn't meet the emotional needs of the young human beings in it. For this reason foster-homes have been developed, where children can be placed, not in institutions, but in other homes. But in the case we were trying to decide on, there were no foster home openings available, and it looked as though there never would be.

What we did finally in this case, was to recommend a three-month trial, with the child back at home. The parents agreed to stop their chasing around nights and they were placed on adult probation. A competent social worker was to visit the home once a week to see how things were coming along. Even though the home was bad, we finally decided it was better than an institution.

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Births

To Mr. and Mrs. William D. Glenn, 815 Haven Ave., Redwood City, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baxter, 215 Samson St., Redwood City, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Winter, 654 Creek Dr., Menlo Park, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 15.

To Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hall, 1605 Redwood Ave., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cotterall, 760 Charter St., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack De Sanders, 104 B St., Redwood City, a daughter was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Fleming, 3051 Glendale Ave., Redwood City, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Winson, 503 Gilbert St., North Palo Alto, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bradshaw, 713 Fifth Ave., Redwood City, a son was born in Palo Alto Hospital on Apr. 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. West of Menlo Park, a daughter was born in a San Francisco hospital on Apr. 8.

MRS. JOHN MACLIVER of Madrona Ave., San Carlos, is a member of the nominating committee of the Business and Professional Women's Club of San Francisco. Mrs. Macliver is past president of the San Francisco club and past national officer. She was a recent speaker at the San Carlos BPWC meeting.

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THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY 105 will have a class of candidates to initiate at the regular district meeting held in San Bruno tomorrow. The regular meeting will be held on Friday at 8 p.m. in the Veterans Hall.

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MR. AND MRS. VERNE HILL of 1605 Redwood Ave. welcomed their first-born daughter into the family on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph V. Lara, formerly of this city and now of Sunnyvale, are the proud grandparents.

Queen Candidate Named

Joyce Miller is the first candidate to be named for the Queen Contest, part of the Fourth of July celebrations in San Carlos. Her name was submitted to the Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring the event, by Myron Greenlee, president of the San Carlos 75 Club.

Joyce who is 16 years old is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller of Walnut St. She is a member of Job's Daughters and a talented hula dancer having spent considerable time in the Hawaiian Islands.

Details for the contest were gone over last Monday at the chamber meeting when Harvye Carlyon, general chairman of the permanent Fourth of July committee outlined the amount of work involved in such an undertaking. He said the city was enthusiastic and he knew of several other organizations who were ready to submit names.

The chamber decided to concentrate its efforts in the Fourth of July events on this one phase, and William F. Klose, president, augmented the committee already formed. A coronation dance to be held the evening of the third at the San Carlos school auditorium will disclose the winner. The contest will run for approximately seven weeks it was decided and 100,000 voting tickets would be printed to be distributed to the stores. Proceeds from the dance are expected to help defray expenses.

The non-profit home atmosphere of the two-day event was emphasized. Programs will be printed as they were last year with advertiser's names, and a colorful parade with floats and uniformed band is planned.

Appointed Monday on the advertising program committee were Ray Kidder, Steve Geletko, Bill Schiller, Jess Davis, Mary Davis, Noel Pennington, Emil Forst, Bill Biber, Melvin Cohn. On the ball committee: Harvey Watts, Betty Kearns, Mrs. Neil Davis, Wallace Blight, Mrs. Ed Drotleff, Herbert Warren, Paul Allen and Marian May. Mrs. Ruth Allard, secretary for the permanent committee, will also serve with the program committee and Mrs. Lois Brown, publicity chairman for the Fourth will be a member of the Ball committee.

Asks Cooperation

City Mgr. E. W. Blom Wednesday pleaded for cooperation by merchants with the James M. Cleminshaw and Associates firm.

He explained that merchant protests against the city assessor's office inspecting business records to determine personal property taxes threatened to stymie Cleminshaw efforts to complete a $18,000 real property revaluation program.

When Cleminshaw representatives appeared with city assessor to request books, he said, they did so only as advisors.

When Cleminshaw representatives appear "on their own" requesting information from merchants they are seeking it only for use in the land revaluation. Blom said that in determining land values the firm needs to know the income value of land and improvements on such land.

For this reason representatives ask merchants what rents they pay on the property and for what length of time they hold leases. Information volunteered by merchants for the revaluation is kept confidential, Blom pointed out.

Monday, Mayor W. W. Hilton called a meeting of merchants which protested surrendering books for city inspection. Since then Blom has pointed out that the city assessor may legally request such records.

At the meeting merchants also requested that personal property of merchants (inventory) not be subjected to the tax authorized by the state for the city. They suggested that instead a net profits tax be substituted.

The city council, in caucus, later turned down this recommendation, ordering that the tax program go ahead as planned originally.

Blom said Wednesday that he believed it would be a good thing, however, for a merchant committee already named to meet with city officials in an effort to revise the existing license ordinance.

Under this ordinance businesses are charged by various methods for license. Some businesses pay the charge on the basis of their gross revenues while others pay a flat sum. Blom had earlier, however, stated that assessing such charges on the basis of net profits would not be practical because it would involve a complex setup.

Dolwig Named

Assemblyman Richard J. Dolwig of San Mateo County is one of five members appointed to a special committee to assist the assembly interim committee on governmental efficiency and economy in making an investigation of Speaker Sam L. Collins.

The special committee was appointed by Speaker Pro Tempore Thomas A. Maloney of San Francisco after two hours of hot debate Tuesday. A resolution was to be adopted this afternoon to confer on the five assemblymen full powers of the governmental efficency committee members.

Others named to the special committee were Vincent Thomas of San Pedro; Julian Beck, Los Angeles; Richard H. McCollister, Mill Valley, and Alfred W. Robertson, Santa Barbara.

Appellate Judge William C. Doran of Los Angeles had alleged that Collins had sought to halt raids by parole officers on gambling places in Santa Ana and Long Beach.

Pay Warning

Floyd D. Granger, Veterans Service Officer, today reminded veterans of World War II that only five months remain in which they can file claims for terminal leave pay.

Sept. 1 veterans will lose their opportunity to receive remuneration for furloughs and leaves not taken in service.

Granger stressed that application should be made well ahead of the deadline to avoid any confusion or delay in settlement that might result from a last-minute rush.

The army reported that almost two-thirds of the money allocated for terminal leave payments this fiscal year has been paid out, but that an estimated five million veterans—nearly half of those eligible—have not yet applied.

New Books

(Editor's Note: The following notes were collected and written by members of the staff at the Redwood City library in an effort to keep local residents abreast of additions to the local reading list.)

If you are one of the many readers who has been seeking a good novel, one with spirit and quality, you will welcome Mildred Walker's "The Quarry." It is another upward step in the steady growth of the novelist who gave us "The Brewer's Big Horses," "Dr. Norton's Wife," and "Winter Wheat." "The Quarry," departing from the novelists' usual theme of the romantic South during the Civil War, tells the story of a Vermont household during that period.

It is a book which may be recommended to all readers of all ages without reservations.

"Mountain Time" by Bernard De Voto is a psychological romance. The principals involved are a New York surgeon and the wife of an unsuccessful author. They return, after many years in New York City, to the western city of their childhood to try and unravel the twisted skeins of their lives, to discover the roots of their neuroses, and to begin again on firmer foundations. The novel is witty, sophisticated, and intelligent.

Milla Logan, a native of California and San Francisco, remembers in "Bring Along Laughter" her exuberant girlhood in a Serbian immigrant family. She tells of the family's fabulous feasts, boisterous weddings, funerals, spats and feuds, all presided over by a giddy grandmother who said, "You got to work hard for a laugh in this country."

John Mason Brown is one of our most satisfying and delightful critics of the theater. His "Seeing Things" is a penetrating report on current Broadway productions. He knows and writes, not oly of theatrical people and matters; Laurence Olivier, the Lunts, Noel Coward, Gertrude Lawrence, and the state of the legitimate theater in America; but of Fiorello La Guardia, Walt Disney, Danny Kaye, and seven small boys he attempts to guide through a birthday celebration. His approach to every subject, including and especially Shakespeare, is fresh and invigorating.

Homemakers will find in Ethel Wright's "Table Service For All Occasions" a much needed, up to date manual on all problems of gracious serving, whether small or large, formal or informal. Chapters are devoted to glassware, silverware, linen, and family meals as well as to entertaining with or without a maid. The book is well illustrated.

"Faceless Fritz' 'was cable shorthand for one of several "Life Magazine" assignments that brought Margaret Bourke-White, ace photographer, to Germany some months before its collapse. In her book, "Dear Fatherland, Rest Quietly," she has recorded with her matchless photographs and clear prose the terrifying last days of Hitler's Germany. For those who heed it there is a lesson for the future.

Louis Fischer, one of our more able writers on world affairs, says in his newest book, "The Great Challenge," that "the great challenge" to us is to make democracy work through improving democracy. Out of his wide experience Fischer reexamines history and men. His conclusion is that we must improve or succumb. You may not agree with all of his opinions, but you will find his book stimulating and worth reading.

Vote for Bill

San Mateo County's representatives in the state legislature, Sen. Harry L. Parkman and Assemblyman Richard J. Dolwig, were among those who voted for the ratification of a constitutional amendment passed by Congress limiting the office of the President of the United States to eight years.

The State Senate passed the joint resolution by a vote of 27 to 10. The Assembly approved the resolution yesterday by a vote of 45 to 30.

In both houses the vote and the debate adhered closely to party lines, Democrats claiming that the will of the people had been expressed in the four-time election of Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Republicans declaring the need for limiting the term in order to preserve democracy in this country.

Responsibility of children to contribute to the support of needy parents who are eligible to receive state old age assistance was knocked out of the law Tuesday by the Assembly after an hour's debate.

Assemblyman Marvin Sherwin of Piedmont attempted to amend the bill to preserve civil code and penal code sections permitting civil suit by parent against child for support, or prosecution of the child for non-support when able to do so. The amendment was killed by a vote of 44 to 25. Assemblyman Dolwig voted in favor of the amendment.

After the amendment was killed, the Assembly quickly passed the measure by a vote of 48 to 22 on a plea from Assemblyman Ralph C. Dills of Compton "not to punish the parents because the kids are no good." Dolwig voted "no" on the passage of the bill.

Meets April 24

The annual meeting of the Redwood City chapter, American Red Cross, will be held Apr. 24 in the council chambers of the city hall here, Red Cross headquarters reminded members Wednesday.

All persons who have contributed $1 or more to the Red Cross are members and are invited to the meeting, Mrs. Thomas James of the Red Cross office said.

Principal business will be the merger of the Menlo Park branch and the Redwood City office of the Red Cross. Amendments to the bylaws to take care of the merger also will be made.

The executive board will be elected and reports of all activities of the services will be given.

Belmont Bus Service

Inter-city bus service between San Mateo and Belmont began yesterday when a San Mateo Burlingame Transit Co. bus left Third Ave. and B St., in San Mateo, headed for Ralston Ave., Belmont.

The transit company received permission to start the new service two months ago from the State Public Utilities Commission, on provision that no passengers be discharged on El Camino Real between Ralston Ave. and 39th Ave., San Mateo.

The Prowler

THIS PLUG FOR THE Sunday schools is apropos the current observance of National Sunday School Week.

The Sunday school, although one of the most important of all institutions, is either ignored or too lightly regarded by too many people. Observe the numerous youngsters in almost any residence block who are habitually at play during Sunday School hours, and you will get a small idea of the size of population destined to reach adult years as biblical illiterates.

There is no gainsaying the fact that the Bible, always the world's best seller, has a unique and fundamental place among the literary and historical documents of the world. At least some acquaintance with its contents is essential for anyone who would consider himself educated. What a multiplicity of biblical allusions in ordinary reading are lost upon one who lacks even a pre-primary acquaintance with the Scriptures. Yet it is possible for one to graduate from grammar school, high school and college without having made even a "bowing acquaintance" with the "book of books." Although it is permissible for our public schools to teach the classic myths of pagan Greece, Rome and the Norseland, a youngster's hope of learning about the Bible from which religions of our own day and country have sprung, is practically limited to the chance that he may attended a Sunday school.

"I realize," said a business man the other day, that my whole ethical foundation is the instruction I received in Sunday school when a kid." Had he been denied that influence, he might today have been quite a different sort of person.

Statistics show that each day more than 1000 'teen agers embark upon a criminal career. That is at the rate of 365,000 a year — not for just one year, but for every year. Those future criminals will have the same right to vote and hold public office that any other citizen enjoys. It cannot be said with certainty that mere attendance at Sunday school would nip all those criminal careers in the bud. But it would greatly reduce the ultimate totals.

I have known newspaper reporters, who, having been denied the experience of Sunday school attendance, have grown to maturity as biblical illiterates. Although they were bright people and were widely conversant in many fields, they could never be entrusted with the writing of any sort of news story regarding church activities or anything else in the domain of religion. To them the Salvation Army, the Vatican, John Wesley, Martin Luther, Noah's Ark, the Sermon on the Mount, the New Testament the Ten Commandments, the Knights of Columbus, the Golden Rule, the Doxology, the Garden of Eden, Calvary and the Virgin Birth were synonymous in that all were equally meaningless. They knew that in some vague way all of those references were associated somehow with religion (whatever that might be). Yet the specific meanings of those terms were almost as alien to them as the languages of prehistoric tribes.

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A FEW DAYS AGO I had a few words to say in retort to certain critics of Walt Disney's film, "Song of the South." I am moved again to make rebuttal, this time because of the Vox Pop letter in which one critic of that film says, "How anyone with any intelligence could go see 'Song of the South' and come away thinking it was the true picture of the Negroes during slavery is beyond me." (Have you noticed how unfailingly we are inclined to consider that the intelligence of the world is limited to those who agree with our ideas?)

Who said it was a true picture of slave conditions? It was neither a true nor a false picture of slavery conditions, because the film did not purport to be a picture of slavery at all.

For purposes of picturesqueness and quaintness, the scene was laid in the pre-Civil War era. The Negro characters in the play were few and only incidental. The picture featured the Disney animated animal cartoons. The Negro characters were too few and their participation in the narrative too slight to be considered a comprehensive presentation of general conditions. (How could anyone "with intelligence" have gained the idea that the film was purporting to be such a presentation?)

It not infrequently happens that a movie dealing with a story of our own decade will include in its cast of characters a colored waiter or house servant, neatly dressed in vocational uniform. Critics going out of their way to read into everything something that is not there might protest the inclusion of such a character on the ground that the servant's dress is not a true characterization of the Negro's plight everywhere because it does not give any idea of the large number of colored people whose poverty-stricken condition keeps them dressed in rags or misfit clothing from "white folks'" discards.

EVERY NOW AND THEN some experience impresses me with the resourcefulness of the human being. At this writing I am still glowing in wonder at the number of things a person can find to do to delay driving his car out of a parking space that you are waiting to slide into.

In a traffic-congested city the other day I cruised around a downtown block several times in the futile quest of a vacant parking space. Finally I saw a ray of hope. A woman came tripping out of a store, jumped into her car and seated herself behind the wheel.

"Fine!" I ejaculated to myself. And I stopped my car at a suitable distance behind, in readiness to slide into the space while she would be sliding out of it.

But her car didn't move. Neither did she for some seconds. She just sat — and sat, very unpromisingly.

Then she moved her arms to adjust her hat.

She moved again by wiggling herself in a number of directions, all to no apparent purpose save that of consuming time.

Next she reached over to the back seat, and engaged in some arm motions there that I could not see clearly. That chore done, she paused again, just sitting. Then she removed her hat and tossed it onto the back seat.

There ensued another interval of mere waiting for waiting's sake.

I began to feel a curious palpitation of the heart, expecting either a series of insulting horn honks from drivers behind be, or the appearance of a cop who would say, "No double parking here, Buddy."

Luck was with me. Neither of those unpleasant possibilities developed. After what seemed an eternity of seconds the deliberate woman ultimately drove out of the space, and in I slid.

Perhaps what she had been doing was trying to use up whatever time allowance in the parking meter was still left. Or maybe, so I thought, that's just the way women are.

Some time later I felt obliged to apologize to the feminine gender for that latter thought. The next time I had occasion to use a metered space and selected one occupied by a car into which a male driver was then entering, the same sort of process followed. That man consumed seemingly endless time pulling this, grabbing at that, and then just waiting, before he finally pulled out.

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A FEW CLASSICS IN NEWS boners that have accumulated:

"He told police that one of the men menaced him with a wench while the other covered him with a revolver." (McConnelsville, O., paper).

"The farmers of Bloomington Township, north of Lamoni, called a meeting for Mar. 16 to organize a protective chicken stealing association." (Des Moines Register).

"Forty-tight members attended the luncheon which was prepared by Mrs. ——." (Danbury, Conn., paper).

"W. M. McG—— lost a finger when a poisoned dog to which he was administering an anecdote bit him." (El Paso paper).

"After Governor Balbridge watched the lion perform, he was taken to Main St. and fed 25 pounds of raw meat in front of the Fox Theater." (Idaho Statesman).

"The bride was gowned in white lace. The bridesmaid's gowns were punk. The whole color scheme of the decorations was punk." (West Virginia Mountaineer).

"On Tuesday afternoon, eight ladies of the neighborhood were guests of Mrs. L.——. Catting over needlework and refreshments were enjoyed." (Brookings, S. D., paper).

"England is suffering from a plague of aunts. In many homes these have visited rooms on the second floor." (Montpelier, Vt., paper).

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OVERHEARD REMARKS: "She ought to attend fewer meetings and stay home to take care of those brats of hers."

"I've been using my sugar, not saving it for canning; I'm gambling on the hope that there will be more of it by Summer."

"The worst thing about holding public office is that you gotta be licking the boots of every Tom, Dick and Harry all the time."

"You can't take a chance telling that woman anything, even in confidence. She might not intend to tell it, but she just can't keep anything to herself."

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FAMOUS LAST WORDS: "I'm against it."

Under the Courthouse Dome

By Ray Spangler

John E. Manders, once a practicing Redwood City attorney who is now one of the leading barristers of Anchorage, Alaska, flopped into a chair and mopped his brow.

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"Give me Alaska and 41 below!" declared John E. "I can't stand this heat!"

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In the old days when John was in partners with Joe Bullock he relished the weather. He basked in the sunshine of his Atherton home and liked it. Now? Too hot!

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John is by now two parts sourdough.

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Still champion of Alaskan statehood, Manders boasts of the stores of natural resources in the North countree.

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Enough coal to supply the Pacific Coast and the Orient. Enough oil for our navy. Enough wood pulp for America's newspapers.

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"We're stymied by the Department of the Interior," he complains.

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Reta Osborn, formerly of Redwood City, is now Mrs. M. F. Goggin of Anchorage. Earl Bramble, former South San Francisco publisher, is up there putting out a telephone directory.

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John's most interesting tale concerns a character known only as Finnegan.

When I was there, one of the better spots for relaxation was the VFW hall. It was a cozy place on an alleyway between the main drag and the Westward Hotel.

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There we used to gather at odd moments for a bit of musical cheer and a bottle of beer—or what have you. (More often, what could we afford?)

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It seems that better times have come to the VFW. It has a new hall; and if it's as happy as that other one, my, my!

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The post took over an old funeral home.

They made it over from top to bottom. (It would require some changes to create the proper atmosphere for the new enterprise.)

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And in the basement was Finnegan.

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Mr. Finnegan had died about 12 years before.

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It seems that the relatives were so impecunious that the undertaker refused to bury the body. He wanted to keep the assets above ground.

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When he left the building, he left Finnegan.

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Mr. Finnegan, rest his soul, was properly frozen and in an excellent state of preservation.

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But hardly an appropriate fixture for the new VFW hall.

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So when Spring came, the VFW blasted a hole in the ground and gave him a fitting burial. Which is my idea of staying in a mortuary just long enough to miss the fun.

Dance Party

The 75 Club formal dance party held Saturday night proved very successful, the committee in charge reported today. Seasonal flowers were used as decorations.

An entertainment program was interspersed with the dance numbers. Joyce Miller, who has been chosen by the club to enter in the Fourth of July Queen's contest danced some Hawaiian numbers. Al Mueller played piano solos.

During a business session presided over by Myron Greenlee the club agreed also to enter a decorated float in the Fourth of July parade. Kenneth Harman is the club's representative on the Fourth of July committee.

Members in charge of the dance were: Harrison Alpers, chairman; Gilbert Kuenkler, Fred Barg, Dr. James Edwards, Mrs. William Barthold, Mrs. Della Smith, Mrs. Eva Martin and Mrs. Lillian Peterson.

The election of officers for the coming year will take place May 3 at Cherington Hall.

Broken Hydrant

Water erupting from a broken 12-inch feeder main spilled over a two-block area in Menlo Park early Tuesday, flooding El Camino Real and filling basements and vacant lots.

The fire hydrant main broke shortly after midnight on El Camino Real just north of Glenwood Ave. The escaping water under 60 to 65-pound pressure, raised highway pavement four and five inches over a 20 by 50- foot area.

Two of the three highway mains have been blocked off while resurfacing crews worked to repair the pavement. The main was buried six feet underground. A stream estimated by Fire Chief Thomas F. Cuff at a foot deep flowed north on El Camino Real and poured into adjacent lots and yards.

Four inches of water covered the floor at Beltramo's Liquor Store, 1540 El Camino Real, and the basement at the residence of Charles L. Nunn, 1542 El Camino, was flooded with two feet of water.

Menlo Park firemen worked four hours pumping and controlling the water. The flood was stopped when valves controlling the flow were turned off. A second main is now being used to supply water to fire hydrants in the area. Cause of the break has not yet been determined, Chief Cuff said.

Didn't Fight Fire

Frank Dresti, 65, of Boulder Creek, was arrested Tuesday afternoon by Asst. Fire Warden Ernest Werder, and charged with failure to fight a fire.

Werder said that while he and his crew were in the south end of the county on another fire at the Locatelli Bros. Ranch near Big Basin, they spotted a small fire on Dresti's ranch. The fire was across a small canyon from where Dresti was sawing wood, Werder declared.

Werder declared that he told Dresti to go to work on the fire while county firemen went to get equipment, but when he returned Dresti was still sawing wood and the fire blazing, Werder stated. Dresti was arrested and released on $100 bail to appear before Justice of the Peace Manuel J. Bettencourt in Half Moon Bay Monday morning.